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Title: To combat the spread of Dengue in Odisha.

SHRI HEMANAND BISWAL (SUNDARGARH): Madam Speaker, the outbreak of dengue in Odisha has assumed the proportion of an epidemic. The vector-borne disease has already spread over 24 districts out of 30 districts in the State and the death toll has risen to 24. Out of 1825 samples, 838 samples have been identified as positive. The disease is mainly seen in the mining and industrial areas originated from Angul, Talcher belt and Rourkela of Sundargarh District. The inefficiency and carelessness of the State Government is evident from the statement of the Health Minister in the Assembly. So, the complacency, carelessness and lack of commitment of the Government has created failure to contain the outbreak. The Government have partially swung into action only after the rap from the High Court.

So, the union Government should intervene in the prevailing situation to save the affected people. Super specialists and Paramedical Staff should be deputed to the State for better coordination and treatment to combat the outbreak on war-footing.

Madam, I may be permitted the lay to detailed district-wise break up on the Table of the House.

MADAM SPEAKER: No.

SHRI HEMANAND BISWAL : Madam, the exact picture of the health condition of Odisha is not a pretty one by any means. The Government would need to take the issue very seriously and must come up with proper plans to solve this problem. Dengue spread quite quickly in vast areas because of improper sanitary conditions and lack of preventive measures. The population living in the rural areas is too vulnerable to such kind of diseases which spread easily. The State Government has failed to pro-actively make people aware before monsoon about the preventive care they can have for Dengue. We urge the Central Government for an immediate intervention to cure and stoppage the outbreak of Dengue.

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