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Corporation undertakes awareness drive on dengue at schools

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On Wednesday, corporation commissioner D Karthikeyan took part in a drive at a school in T Nagar in which more than 1,500 students participated. Corporation health officials will cover 200 schools and teach students ways to prevent spread of dengue.

To fuel the drive, the civic body has appointed 1,585 student ambassadors who will advise classmates and families against discarding of open containers and boxes that collect water and let mosquitoes breed. The students have been taught to caution people against taking medicines without consulting doctors in case of fever.

From January, Chennai has seen around 100 cases of dengue. Health officials anticipate this could rise with sporadic rains in the city.