

Safety & Health Circular No. 31 / 2015 Stay Alert on Prevention and Control of Dengue Fever Vector - Strengthening of Control Measures - Construction Industry Council

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At the Anti-Mosquito Steering Committee meeting on 22 April 2015, the Chairman, the Permanent Secretary for Food and Health (Food), Mrs Cherry TSE, appealed for the support from the construction industry to the anti-mosquito operation.

From 4.5.2015 to 17.5.2015 and from 25.5.2015 to 7.6.2015, the following mosquito control measures at the construction sites are recommended:

- 1. Arrange fogging in the scrubby areas to kill the adult mosquitoes at least once a week;
- Arrange weekly inspection of the venues for detection and elimination of the mosquito breeding places by physical removal of the water / water bodies or application of larvicide; and
- 3. Trimming of grass to discourage resting of the adult mosquitoes on the site and for easy detection of mosquito breeding places.

These measures would eliminate most of the dengue vector of a generation in and around the targeted areas. Hopefully, the dengue virus carrying mosquitoes, if any, could be killed with these measures.

The press release is attached for reference.

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