

The Hemorrhagic Dengue Fever 2011 in Cambodia

2011 (up to June 20) the 5 Kantha Bopha Hospitals in Cambodia have hospitalized **1793 severe cases of the Hemorrhagic Dengue Fever**. 547 in Siem Reap Angkor (Jayavarman VII Hospital), 1247 in Phnom Penh. Not severe cases are followed up in the outpatient stations. As soon the diagnoses of severe cases to be admitted for hospitalization is confirmed the Ministry of Health and its department of Malaria / Dengue is informed, day by day.

The sick children are coming from all over Cambodia. It is interesting that the numbers told by the Director of the Department Malaria/Dengue, Ngan Chantha, on June 20, **are 1924 for the whole country**. (Only 127 more than Kantha Bopha) So it is evident again that **90% of the really sick children of Cambodia are hospitalized in the 5 Kantha Bopha Hospitals**.

The Mortality of Dengue 2011

Director Ngan Chantha said 11 children have died. In the Kantha Bopha Hospitals exactly 11 children have died. All these children were hospitalized in private clinics before. They were treated in a bad and wrong way, so they arrived with liver failure and kidney failure in a desperate status in the Kantha Bopha Hospitals. These private clinics are often run by Doctors of the government, instead of working in the government's facilities working in their private clinics exploiting the parents with huge financial demands. As soon the child is getting in a difficult and delicate situation they allow the parents to bring the child to Kantha Bopha. In the above mentioned 11 cases it was too late. This is happening not only in the province and not only with Dengue cases but in Phnom Penh too. So **the night** of June 21 / 22 in Kantha Bopha Phnom Penh 20 severe cases were hospitalized arriving from Phnom Penh, **10 coming from private clinics**.

The Prophylaxis 2011

Among 100 hospitalized Dengue fever patients in Kantha Bopha IV, V and III (Jayavarman VII) on June 21 only 30% of their families have got Abate to treat the clean water around their houses. (Among the patients from Phnom Penh 55%, from Kampong Cham 0%, from Prey Veng 0%, from Kampong Speu 0%.) Let's hope that this will change soon, since next year a huge Epidemic, same as 2007, may occur.