Notification of the Ministry of Public Health

On Prescribing that Breeding Sites of Aedes Mosquitoes are Public Nuisance and Additional Appointment of Public Health Officers

Whereas it becomes materialised that dengue fever has been extensively spreading and Aedes mosquitoes are the major vector of said disease, it is therefore deemed expedient to prescribe that breeding sites of Aedes mosquitoes are public nuisance and to additionally appoint public health officers to be responsible for controlling and monitoring of said breeding sites of Aedes mosquitoes.

By virtue of the provisions of Section 25 (5) and Section 5 of the Public Health Act, B.E. 2535 (A.D. 1992), the Minister of Public Health hereby issues this Notification as follows:

Clause 1. In this Notification,

"Building" means a building, house, dwelling, shack, shop, raft, warehouse, office, or other constructions in and of which a person can live or make use;

"Water holding container" means equipment, appliance, object that is used inside or outside of a building with water contained therein, e.g. earthen/water jars, toilet cleaning water cement containers, jars, Devil's Ivy pots, cupboard leg cups, saucers, lotus tubs, fish tanks, etc.;

"Water holding material" means waste or unused materials that collect water, which are disposed inside or outside of a building, e.g. cans, old tires, jars, plant pots, bottles, etc., or fragments of said objects with water contained therein;

"Breeding site of Aedes mosquitoes" means any site in which more than one larva or pupa of Aedes mosquitoes is found.

Clause 2. Any building or location that has water holding containers and materials which collect water to an extent that they turn into breeding sites of Aedes mosquitoes shall be deemed as public nuisance.

Clause 3. Prescribing that those who hold the position of Disease Control Expert, 5th Rank and higher, and are responsible for general communicable disease control in the Academic Promotion and Public Health Service Group, Provincial Public Health Office, shall be public health officers in pursuance of the Public Health Act, B.E. 2535 (A.D. 1992).

(Translation)

Clause 4. This Notification shall come into force on the date immediately following that of its promulgation in the Government Gazette.

Announced on the 25th Day of June 2002 Sudarat Keyuraphan Public Health Minister