Child succumbs to dengue

Beware An aedes aegypti or female mosquito that carries the deadly dengue virus.

A seven-year-old child recently died in Barangay Gogon, Legazpi City because of dengue, a barangay official confirmed yesterday.

In a radio interview, Barangay Gogon Kagawad Alexander Jao confirmed the death of the child, whose name was withheld as requested by the family.

It was gathered that at least eight other persons are suspected to be afflicted with the disease in the said urban barangay.

Last week, Dr. Antonio Ludovice, Acting Chief of the Albay Provincial Office, warned against dengue due to the rising cases of the deadly disease transmitted by mosquitoes.

As early as March, the Department of Health (DoH) Bicol urged the public to practice the “4S Strategy” to fight and prevent dengue.

Ludovice reiterated the DoH call to practice search and destroy mosquito breeding places; self-protection measures; seek early consultation for fever as early as one day, and say yes to fogging as a last resort when there is an impending outbreak.