

Dengue still at dangerous levels

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ALTHOUGH there was an increase in the number of dengue cases in Selangor last month, the numbers have steadily dropped this week.

State Health Department director Dr Rosnah Hadis said: "Cases have dropped from 486 cases last week to 386 cases this week."

"Last month, the number was high but this week it is not so

bad," she added.

Dr Rosnah, however, said that the number was still high. An operation to fight dengue fever has been launched to help bring down the number of cases.

A Chinese daily reported yesterday that Shah Alam had 933 dengue cases last month and six deaths were recorded.

Due to the influx of patients at the Tengku Ampuan Rahimah Hospital in Klang, some patients had to be transferred to

the Sungai Buloh Hospital.

Sungai Buloh Hospital director Dr Khalid Ibrahim informed *Malay Mail* that transferring patients between hospitals was a normal procedure.

"We received patients from Klang because of the influx they faced," Dr Khalid said.

"Now, the numbers have gone down and we have closed our special wards for dengue but we still receive dengue cases daily."