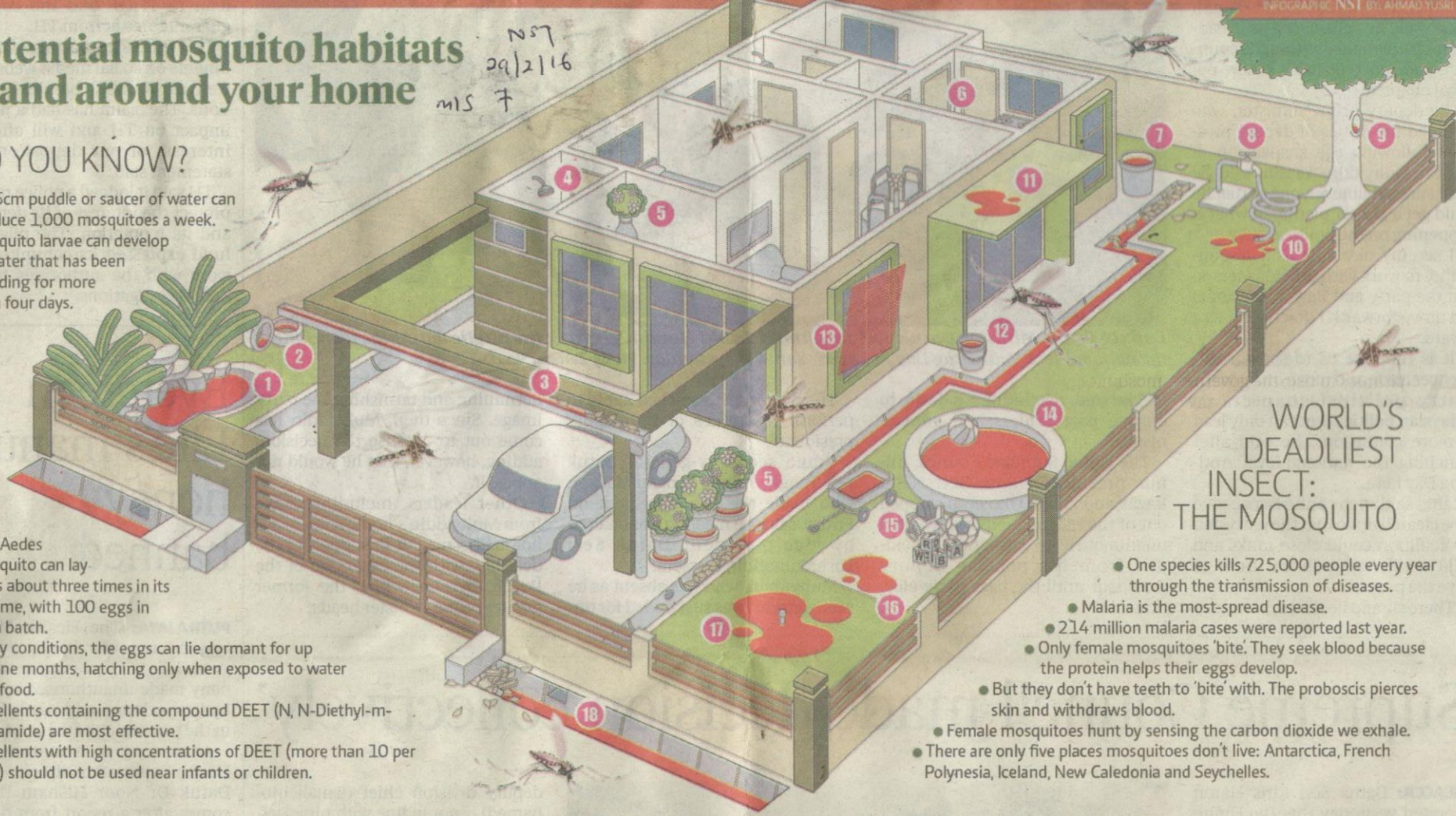


Potential mosquito habitats in and around your home

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DID YOU KNOW?

- A 15cm puddle or saucer of water can produce 1,000 mosquitoes a week.
- Mosquito larvae can develop in water that has been standing for more than four days.
- The Aedes mosquito can lay eggs about three times in its lifetime, with 100 eggs in each batch.
- In dry conditions, the eggs can lie dormant for up to nine months, hatching only when exposed to water and food.
- Repellents containing the compound DEET (N, N-Diethyl-m-toluamide) are most effective.
- Repellents with high concentrations of DEET (more than 10 per cent) should not be used near infants or children.



WORLD'S DEADLIEST INSECT: THE MOSQUITO

- One species kills 725,000 people every year through the transmission of diseases.
- Malaria is the most-spread disease.
- 214 million malaria cases were reported last year.
- Only female mosquitoes 'bite'. They seek blood because the protein helps their eggs develop.
- But they don't have teeth to 'bite' with. The proboscis pierces skin and withdraws blood.
- Female mosquitoes hunt by sensing the carbon dioxide we exhale.
- There are only five places mosquitoes don't live: Antarctica, French Polynesia, Iceland, New Caledonia and Seychelles.



1 Pond



2 Tyres



3 Clogged rain gutter



4 Water barrel



5 Water in plant pots and saucers



6 Ant trap



7 Rain barrel



8 Leaky faucets and hoses



9 Hole in trees



10 Stagnant water



11 Concrete rooftop



12 Bucket



13 Damaged window and door screen



14 Neglected bathtub/pool



15 Toys



16 Tarp



17 Overwatering



18 Storm drain