Zika virus: Centre rushes team to Maharashtra

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The Union Health Ministry has rushed a multidisciplinary team to Maharashtra to monitor the Zika virus situation and support the State government in management of infections.

"A case of Zika has been reported in Pune district recently," a Ministry release said on Monday.

The three-member team consists of a public health expert from the office of the Regional Director, Pune; a gynaecologist from Lady Hardinge Medical College, Delhi; and an entomologist from the National Institute of Malaria Research, ICMR, New Delhi.

The Ministry said the team would work closely with the State Health Department, take stock of the situation on ground and assess whether its action plan for Zika management was being implemented, and recommend necessary public health interventions for management of Zika.