CHAPTER 2

REVIEW OF RELATED LITERATURE

2.1 Mosquito (Aedes aegypti)

2.1.1 History of Aedes aegypti

Dengue viruses spreads from one person to another through *Aedes aegypti*(Ae) mosquito from Stegomyia subgenus. Ae. aegypti is an important epidemic vector while other species like *Ae.albopictus*, *Ae.polynesiensis*, *Ae.scutellaris*, *Ae.niveus* are known to be the secondary vector. Although all of this mosquitoes are good vectors for dengue virus, the symptoms caused are not as severe as caused by Ae.aegypti (Schneider, 2004).

2.2 Taxonomy of Aedes aegypti:

Kingdom: Animalia

Phylum : Arthropoda

Class : Insecta

Order : Diptera

Family : Culicidae

Genus : Aedes