



सत्यमेव जयते
Government of India



Media Scanning & Verification Cell



Media alert from the Media Scanning & Verification Cell, IDSP-NCDC.

Alert ID	Publication Date	Reporting Date	Place Name	News Source/Publication Language
4294	07.09.2017	07.09.2017	Himachal Pradesh	The Tribune English Newspaper 07 th September, 2017/Page No. 10
Title:	Four die of scrub typhus in Himachal Pradesh			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to SSU- Himachal Pradesh			

Three persons died of scrub typhus in IGMC here last night, while a child succumbed to the disease at Tanda Medical College today. They were admitted with fever and were under treatment at the hospitals. The deceased at the IGMC were identified as Pratap (49) from Shimla, Krishan (52) from Kullu and Banglu Devi (65) from Kullu.

Senior Medical Superintendent, IGMC, Dr Ramesh Chand confirmed that all three died of scrub typhus. Till now, 250 persons had been found positive for scrub typhus and most of them been treated and sent home, he added.

Last year also, 37 persons were killed in the IGMC alone. The doctors have advised the public to take precautions as the cases of scrub typhus were expected till October.

Scrub typhus or mite-borne typhus is an infectious disease caused by a specific type of bacteria (*Orientia tsutsugamushi*). It is spread and maintained by the larvae (chiggers) of mites. The bite of this mite leaves a characteristic black eschar that is useful to the doctor for making the diagnosis.

Save Water- Save Life, Save a tree- Don't print unless it's really necessary!

Disclaimer:- This is a media alert subject to verification.

**Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP), National Centre for Disease Control,
Ministry Of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India**

22-Sham Nath Marg, Delhi – 110 054

For more information please contact: Media Scanning & Verification Cell: - Phone (011)23946029

Email: - idsppediaalert@gmail.com, idspp-misc@nic.in, idspp-npo@nic.in

Join us on



<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Media-Scanning-Verification-Cell-IDSPNCDC/137297949672921>

twitter

<https://twitter.com/MSVC1>



As a precautionary measure, the doctors have advised the public to avoid places where mites are known to be present in a large number, wear protective clothing when travelling to an endemic area, use mite repellents to exposed skin.

7-yr-old succumbs to disease

Kangra: A 7-year-old child succumbed to scrub typhus at Tanda Medical College, today. The victim, who belonged to Chamba, was admitted here on September 1 and was under treatment at the ICU since then. Dr Deepali Sharma, Medical Superintendent, DRPGMC, Tanda, said it was the first death due to scrub typhus at the medical college this year. She said 600 patients reported at the medical college with suspected scrub typhus symptoms. Of these, 73 tested positive. Six patients are undergoing treatment.

💧 Save Water- Save Life, 🌳 Save a tree- Don't print unless it's really necessary!

Disclaimer:- This is a media alert subject to verification.

**Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP), National Centre for Disease Control,
Ministry Of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India**

22-Sham Nath Marg, Delhi – 110 054

For more information please contact: Media Scanning & Verification Cell: - Phone (011)23946029

Email: - idsppediaalert@gmail.com, idspp-misc@nic.in, idspp-npo@nic.in

Join us on



<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Media-Scanning-Verification-Cell-IDSPNCDC/137297949672921>

twitter

<https://twitter.com/MSVC1>

