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Title:	52-year-old woman suffering from rat fever dies at CMCH in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU-Coimbatore,SSU-Tamil Nadu			

A 52-year-old woman from Avinashi taluk in the district died after infected with leptospirosis on Tuesday. The deceased was identified as S Gandhimathi of Samathupuram at Thekkalur, an angawadi worker. After falling ill two weeks ago, she was given treatment at a private hospital in Coimbatore. After her condition worsened, she was shifted to the Coimbatore Medical College and Hospital, where the doctors diagnosed her as affected with rat fever or leptospirosis, a health department official said. She failed to respond to the treatment and died on Tuesday.

While rat fever has killed many people in neighbouring Kerala, health department officials said Gandhimathi was the first victim of the disease in Tirupur district. "According to the medical report, she had multiple health complications including jaundice, diabetes and hyperthyroid," a senior health department official said. "She had visited Kerala during the recent floods. We suspect that she could have been infected there. However, we have upped surveillance in vulnerable areas. So far, no other rat fever cases have been reported," the official told TOI. The department has tested drinking water supplied at Thekkalur, where Gandhimathi's family is residing. It is also educating people about personal and external hygiene.

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