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Title:	Unknown disease kills cattle: Bodies call for precautionary measures in district Bishnupur, Manipur			
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After an unknown disease started causing death of a large number of cattle at several villages, the authority of the Keibul Kamjoa National Park, the only floating park in the world and home to endangered Sangai deer, has expressed concern. Worried officials of the park have approached the 'higher authorities' of the park to take up precautionary measures to prevent the animals of the park, particularly the Sangai from infection by the dreaded disease. An official of the park said that cattle in the surrounding villages of the national park were vaccinated regularly so as to protect them from diseases that will spread to the Sangai and other animals in the national park.

The outbreak of the dreaded disease was reported only two months after the last mass vaccination of cattle of the villages. The last vaccination was done in February, they said. According to the officials, the immune systems of the Sangai and hog deer in the park are 'very weak compared to domestic animals,' so, there was high chance of affecting the deer of the park at a fast rate if the disease is not controlled on time.

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Sangai Protection Forum, an apex body of youth clubs of the villages surrounding the park have also drawn the attention of the 'higher authorities' of the state government to do the needful before the disease infects the animals in the park.

Reports said that an outbreak of the unknown disease has killed a large number of cattle in some parts of Manipur's Bishnupur district including villages, particularly to the villages located in the surrounding Keibul Lamjao National Park in the last few days.

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