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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Kala-azar case detected in Cuttack village, Odisha</b>			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU- Cuttack, SSU- Odisha			

A case of kala-azar (visceral leishmaniasis) has been detected in Belagochhia village in the Barang block of Cuttack district prompting health officials to increase surveillance in the area. Though the patient, a 30-year-old man from the village has recovered after treatment in a private hospital in Bhubaneswar, health officials are keeping a strict watch on the village. A health team has rushed to the village.

The matter came to the fore following a report submitted by an epidemiologist to chief district medical officer Satyabrat Chhotray. Chhotray said the man was suffering from post-kala-azar dermal leishmaniasis (PKDL) with swelling on the skin and multiple nodular lesions on the face, trunk and extremities for which he was undergoing treatment at a private hospital in the state capital.

"A team of health officials has rushed to the village to take stock of the situation. The patient has a travel history to kala-azar endemic states like Jharkhand and Bihar. He has been kept isolated from his family members, and samples of soil from the locality have been collected and sent to a laboratory for testing," said the CDMO.

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He said there is no need to panic as the patient is not suffering from fever. Necessary steps will be taken after the test report is received.

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