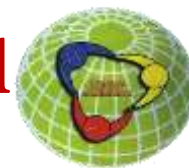




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In all, 64 cases of scrub typhus were reported from Mansarovar, Malviya Nagar, Pratap Nagar, Jagatpura and Sanganer areas this month. There were 37 cases of the disease in August and 15 in July in the city.

It is a disease caused by the bite of a specific kind of a mite. "If a patient complains of high grade fever with chills, bodyache, muscle pain with rashes, it could be scrub typhus. If someone closely examines and finds a small mark that looks like cigarette burn anywhere on the body, especially on legs and hands, it could be scrub typhus. The place where the mite bites turns black just like a cigarette leaves a mark," said Dr Narrottam Sharma, chief medical health officer (Jaipur-I).

Good news is that the city has not reported any deaths related to scrub typhus, which is a non-communicable disease. Doctors say it is a preventable disease. The mite

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which causes scrub typhus is commonly found in grassy and bushy areas. “People, while going out in grassy areas like a playground, should wear full pants and shoes,” said a health department official.

So far in 2021, Jaipur has reported 201 scrub typhus cases (till September 20), while the state reported 804 cases. According to the health department reports, 30 persons had died of scrub typhus in 2018. In 2019, the deaths were 12 and in 2020, one patient died.

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