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Title:	Bird flu alert in Bhitarkanika National Park of district Kendrapara, Odisha			
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The forest and veterinary officials sounded the bird flu alert in the Bhitarkanika National Park after the death of birds reportedly due to bird flu in Delhi, Madhya Pradesh and other states. Migratory birds have started arriving in the water bodies in the park. The forest and veterinary officials distributed leaflets and booklets among villagers near the park to create awareness about avian influenza, said the officer.

The rapid response team (RRT) was also formed in nine blocks with each having 19 veterinary assistant surgeons (VAS), 55 livestock inspectors, zilla parishad members and social workers as members, official sources said.

Forest and veterinary officials are keeping a watch on the migratory birds as they are prone to carry H5N1 strain of avian influenza. "We have already started examining some avian species in Bhitarkanika but did not find any sick birds," said Chaitanya Charana Sethi, the chief district medical officer (of Kendrapada on Wednesday.

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