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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Scrub Typhus in Himachal Pradesh, 13 cases in IGMC Shimla</b>			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU- Shimla, SSU- Himachal Pradesh			

The administration has come on alert regarding scrub typhus in Himachal Pradesh. Thirteen patients of scrub typhus have been admitted in IGMC, the biggest hospital of the state. At the same time, the Health Department has issued orders to all CHCs and PHCs that if any patient comes in front of fever and has red rash on his body, then immediately get him tested for scrub typhus, so that the disease can be detected.

Last year also more than 10 patients had died due to scrub typhus. However, all the patients who have come to IGMC are residents of rural areas. At present, the administration has come on alert regarding scrub typhus. IGMC Principal Dr. Sita Negi says that we are taking precautions regarding scrub typhus. Scrub typhus tests are being done for the patients coming to the hospital when the fever is high. He says that patients and their attendants also need to be aware of this disease. It should be noted that the cases of scrub typhus increase during the rainy season. Scrub typhus flea bites people due to the abundance of grass in rural areas, due to which the patient gets fever. In such a situation, if the treatment is not done on time, then it can also be fatal.

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Isolation ward ready in IGMC: IGMC administration has also been alerted due to the case of scrub typhus. The administration has prepared an isolation ward for scrub typhus victims, in which the patients are being treated. However, the health department has claimed that scrub typhus is currently under control, people need not panic. People need to be careful.

This is how scrub typhus spreads: Scrub typhus spreads through flea bites. It may also take two to three weeks for the disease to spread. People passing through bushes, fields, raw roads, camping, forests or places with rats mostly fall in the grip of this disease. These fleas living in the bushes bite the person. After this there is a red mark on the body of the concerned person and after peeling off the skin, the mark turns black. In case of symptoms of scrub typhus, go immediately to the nearest hospital.

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