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Title:	Madhya Pradesh: Nipah panic grips Guna over death of hundred of bats			
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Nipah virus panic gripped Guna district with death of hundreds of bats in the premises of National Fertilizers limited (NFL). Chief medical and health officer (CMHO) Dr PB Bunkar said all staff members have been alerted and a team of veterinary experts were sent to collect sample for asserting cause of bat mortalities.

"They have collected carcass of three bats for post-mortem. Report is awaited," Dr Bunkar told TOI. He said people in the region are being made aware about the Nipah virus. "I think they might have died because of heat waves. But we are taking all necessary precautions," said the doctor.

NFL authorities told local media that bats started falling dead from trees on Wednesday afternoon. By Thursday hundreds of dead bats were scattered in the area. There are around 700 families living within NFL premises and the unit is surrounded by 10 villages. Team of medical experts would be sent to examine people in these area.

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