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title:	Jaundice spreads tentacles in Bhawanipatna, 56 affected in district Kalahandi, Odisha			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU-Kalahandi, SSU-Odisha			

The number of jaundice cases is on the rise in Bhawanipatna despite the efforts of Health department to bring it under control. The disease has taken roots in new areas taking the number up to 56 as on Sunday.

Last week, 21 cases were detected in Nuabandh of Bahadur Bagichapada under Ward no 6 of the town while more patients suffering from the disease have been reported from Arkabahelipada and Sareigharpada under Ward no 10. Chief District Medical Officer (CDMO) Dr Brajakishore Brahma said, contaminated water has led to outbreak of the disease in new areas and blood sample reports reveal that the patients are suffering from Hepatitis-E.

A health team comprising of health worker, Asha karmi and anganwadi workers have been asked to visit the affected areas daily and supply Halogen tablets, ORS packets besides detergent to the households and create awareness on the need to use the items. The team has also been directed to be alert and report any new suspicious cases immediately.

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Dr Brahma said, clinical camps consisting of medical and paediatric specialists are also conducted everyday in the affected pockets. PHD has been asked to seal the pipelines and provide water by tankers in affected pockets. Similarly, municipality has been asked to take up sanitation drive.

Meanwhile, following Collector Brundha D's direction last week, health, PHD and municipality officials have intensified preventive measures and cleanliness drives are being undertaken while PHD is supplying water by tankers in affected pockets.

But, sanitation continues to be deplorable in other parts of the town, particularly in non-commercial areas from where garbage is yet to be lifted while water bodies continue to remain contaminated. On the other hand, PHD is yet to examine the pipeline and tube wells for any leakage which could have led to the outbreak of the disease.

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