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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Jaundice alert in district Kalahandi, Odisha</b>			
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The Kalahandi administration has issued an alert in Bhawanipatna in the wake of rising jaundice cases. So far, 73 blood samples have tested positive for jaundice and one person has died of the disease, said Chief District Medical Officer B K Brahma. Positive cases have been reported from areas such as Nuabandhpada, Arkabahelipada, Sareigharpada, Bondhpada and Purnapada. Unofficial sources, though, claimed that more than 100 persons have been affected by jaundice.

The Kalahandi administration has asked the PHD and Municipality to be on alert after it was found that the disease has been spreading due to consumption of contaminated water. Red flags have been erected on the banks of big tanks like Puruswatam Sagar, Nuabandh and Asha Sagar asking inhabitants not to consume water from these water bodies. With water becoming scarce during summer, many people residing in slum areas depend on ponds for drinking water.

However, many of these water bodies are filled with garbage. Those who are covered under piped water supply project alleged that pipelines in many areas of the town have not been repaired. Many of the damaged and leaking pipelines pass through drains, thereby contaminating the water. Apparently, sanitation has been a pressing

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issue in Bhawanipatna town. Garbage from localities is not cleaned at regular intervals. Water bodies at Puruswatam Sagar and Nuabandh have turned into garbage dumping yards.

The Bhawanipatna Municipality workers started cleanliness drive on a war-footing in all Wards of the town on Thursday. A special squad has been formed to monitor regular cleaning of garbage that is usually dumped in water bodies or street corners. On the other hand, sale of street food has been regulated.

Health officials have started a drive to stop selling of 'gupchup', 'chaat' and ice-creams in the town. All hotels and restaurants have been directed to obtain or update their food licence failing which, stringent action will be taken against the owners. Civic body officials, including food safety officer, visited local ice candy manufacturing factories on Wednesday and asked the owners to stop production immediately. Awareness rallies and street corner meetings are being organised by the Health department since Tuesday.

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