

Title: Need to send a Central team to study the reasons for the outbreak of Anthrax in the Koraput district of Orissa and take remedial measures to check the spread of the disease. -- Laid

SHRI PARSURAM MAJHI (NOWRANGPURA) : I would like to draw the attention of the Government of India to the occurrence of Anthrax in the undivided Koraput District in Orissa which has so far claimed twenty-three lives since June this year. Besides, several other people affected by the disease have been admitted to the local public health centre under Semiliguda block. Unless immediate steps are taken to find out the reasons for the outbreak of the disease and to provide adequate treatment to the people affected by the disease, the death toll may increase.

I request the Government that a Central team should pay a visit to that Southern Orissa tribal district and necessary health care should be provided to the affected people without any further delay.