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Title:	2 horses test positive for glanders in Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan			
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The animal husbandry department may have to focus on another zoonotic disease along with the lumpy virus as two horses have tested positive for glanders in Jhunjhunu district.

Glanders is a contagious, fatal disease affecting horses, mules and donkeys. Human beings can get it by coming in contact with infected animals or through inhalation.

After reports confirmed that two horses have glanders at Badbar village of Buhana area, the administration started a health check-up of suspected animals to prevent the spread of the disease. A nodal officer has also been appointed to conduct a survey.

An animal husbandry official said, "The department has barred the movement of these two horses after a report by the Hisar-based National Research Centre on Equines (NRCE) confirmed that the two horses are inflicted with glanders. We are making arrangements to contain the spread of the bacteria that can infest both animals and humans".

"We have appealed to breeders and equine keepers to restrict the movement of their animals and abide by the orders as it is in their benefit," added the official

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Glanders, caused by the bacteria *Burkholderia mallei*, is characterised by the serial development of ulcerating nodules, commonly found in the upper respiratory tract, the lungs and the skin. The disease came to Rajasthan from Uttar Pradesh, MP and Gujarat, said officials. People working at brick kilns in Rajasthan travel on donkeys and mules to work, and that is how the disease spread among the equines here.

Glanders is being reported in Rajasthan after nearly four years, said officials. It was first detected in Rajakhera in Dholpur district on November 15, 2016. A horse and a mule had to be euthanised while the owner of another mule absconded with the animal, and a donkey had died of the disease at that time. Three horses and 16 ponies were infected in Udaipur in 2017.

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