

Leishmaniasis (oriental sore) is an infectious skin disease transmitted through the bites of sand flies.

Sanf Fly;

During the day, sand flies hide in barns, cellars, inside manure heaps, tree hollows, cracks on the walls, and nests of rodents.

The risk of infection increases *at night time* when sand flies come out of their hiding places.

If left untreated,

Leishmaniasis leaves permanent scars on the skin.

If a sand fly lands on already infected wounds, it will transmit the parasite to other people, thereby spreading the disease.



To prevent leishmaniasis,

- Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants at night and do not sleep outside without a compact mosquito net.
- Install compact mosquito nets on your windows to stop sand flies.
- Sleep with a mosquito net around your bed.
- Use fly repellents.
- Use devices like fans for indoor ventilation.
- Do not leave fertilizers or rubbish out in the open.
- Build stables away from houses.
- Plaster and whitewash the walls of your house and animal shelters and clean these areas frequently.

Eggs and larvae of sand flies are found inside manure heaps and garbage dumps, etc. Therefore, avoid leaving manure and garbage, etc. exposed indoors.

CONTACT THE NEAREST HEALTHCARE FACILITY

if you have skin lesions that;
are on exposed areas such as face
hands, feet, and arms
are usually painless
start as a pimple and gradually grow
and
persist over a month



LEISHMANIASIS IS A DANGEROUS COMMUNICABLE DISEASE.

It is essential to protect yourself from sand fly bites to avoid disease transmission.

The Directorate - General for Public Health offers medication for the treatment of leishmaniasis **FREE OF CHARGE**.

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