

Spider menace grips Tinsukia, Dibrugarh



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Sudden attack by swarms of venomous spiders strikes panic among the people of Dibrugarh and Tinsukia districts during the last couple of days. One person died and several others were injured after they were bitten by these spiders.

The spiders were noticed in large numbers after sunset in the first half of May Chaulkhowa Na-Gaon, around 13km from Sadiya. Local residents came to spot these fatal spiders during a Bihu cultural.

They started biting many people. Experts call these *Latrodectus elegans*, a variety of brown spiders, are found in neighbouring Myanmar, China and Thailand. A team of Assam University and Dibrugarh varsity is camping in the area to examine the case.

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