

# Algae Poisoning in Yaks



**Chhudug** is caused by toxic algae plant poisoning. Algae grows in abundance (bloom) during summer, starts decaying towards winter, releasing non-degradable toxins which remains in stagnant water ponds.

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Algae growth in water



Microscopic view of toxic algae cells 

## How do yaks get affected with algae poisoning?

When yaks migrate from highland to lowland during early winter, animals frequently drink water from stagnant pond contaminated with algae bloom and resulting into poisoning.

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### Signs and symptoms

- Dry muzzle and respiratory distress
- Dermatitis and fall of hairs (Alopecia)
- Paralysis
- Abortion

# यहग्रायां अर्कव्यन्त्रम्याया



Aborted foetus व्यक्षां कार्यस्य वित्र क्ष्र



Enlarged liver মঠব্যস্স্প্রাম্ব্রস্থ্র



Loss of hairs

### **Treatment**

There is no effective treatment for algae plant poisoning, except for timely supportive treatment such as liver tonic and fluid therapy. Universal antidote may be given.





#### **Prevention and Control**

- Prevent animals from drinking stagnant water in winter during migration time
- Make the animals inaccessible to stagnant water ponds by fencing and draining the ponds

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