

Dinga Disease

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About Dinga Disease:

- It is locally called 'Dinga Dinga', meaning '**shaking like dancing**'.
- It predominantly **impacts women and girls**, is characterized by fever and excessive body shaking.
- It is marked by fever and **uncontrollable body shaking**, severely impairing mobility and severe cases, people are also experiencing paralysis.
- The cause of Dinga Dinga remains a mystery. Despite efforts to identify the virus responsible, health experts have yet to pinpoint its source.
- The symptoms of Dinga Dinga are as unusual as they are distressing:
 - **Uncontrollable body shaking:** The most striking feature of the illness is violent, involuntary movements that resemble dancing.
 - **Fever and extreme weakness:** Patients often report high fever and overwhelming fatigue.
 - **Paralysis-like immobility:** Some experience a sensation of paralysis, with even basic movements like walking becoming impossible.
- **Treatment:** The illness is currently being **treated with antibiotics**.

Q1: What are antibiotics?

Antibiotics are medicines that fight bacterial infections in people and animals. They work by killing the bacteria or by making it hard for the bacteria to grow and multiply.

Source: Dinga Dinga virus outbreak: Know all about mysterious condition that has left women and girls shaking in Uganda

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