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## Genetic changes

NEW DELHI, Jan. 28:— Indian scientists Tuesday offered what might perhaps be the first evidence of genetic aberrations caused by a total solar eclipse, reports Reuter.

Results of some 150 experiments conducted in India during the eclipse last year were presented at a symposium here.

Zoologist Aparna Sazena of Punjab University reported that pregnant mice exposed to solar radiation lost embryos.

Young new born were smaller than normal, had dark patches two feet, twisted tail and rough skin.

Researchers also reported chromosome aberrations in sea animals, sorghum seeds and onion bulbs.

Scientists from the Agricultural Research Institute in southern Hyderabad city said radiation during the eclipse stimulated the growth of sorghum seedlings.