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(54) Title: FEMININE SANITARY DISPOSABLE ARTICLE HAVING A BLOOD DETECTION MEANS AS SENSOR (57) Abstract The present invention relates to feminine sanitary disposable absorbent articles and, more particularly, to sanitary napkins or panty liners comprising a blood detection means for menstruation prediction by having sensors which have a recognition element to detect the presence of blood indicative of the approach of menstruation and which provide a visual signal indicating the approach of menstruation.		