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Title:	Over 12 children fall ill after consuming contaminated mid-day meal in Karnataka's Mandya district			
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Over a dozen children have fallen ill after consuming contaminated mid-day meal in Karnataka's Mandya district on Wednesday. Authorities suspect that a lizard had fallen in the food which was later served to the children. The incident happened in an Anganwadi, where several children come every day and consume their mid-day meals. Meanwhile, the victims were given immediate treatment and are said to be out of danger. This is not the first time, that mid-day meals in Karnataka school have been found to be contaminated. Parents of the children are questioning how long the health of children will be neglected in the state.

In a similar case reported from Madhya Pradesh, as many as 20 students fell ill allegedly after consuming the breakfast served by the administration of an Indore-based primary school.

Parents have claimed that the children have fallen ill after eating Pav Bhaji served for breakfast at the school. Reportedly they further alleged that breakfast was prepared using contaminated water. A news agency report stated, one of the students named Tushar Agarwal said he ate Pav Bhaji during the lunchtime and after a few minutes, he vomited. The foul smell was coming from the bread which was served to them and he was taken to the hospital in the ambulance.

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The hospital has discharged 19 out of 20 admitted students, while one child is said to be in a critical condition. Meanwhile, the school's trustee said that "Around 700 students were served the breakfast. All of them are fine apart from these 20 students. At present, only one child has been admitted in the hospital but the rest 19 have been discharged." However, an enquiry in the incident has been initiated and the school is making efforts to identify whether the bread or water was contaminated.

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