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Title:	150 students taking part in Bihar Diwas event fell sick in Patna, Bihar			
Action By CSU, IDSP –NCDC	Information communicated to DSU- Patna, SSU– Bihar			

At least 150 students of government schools, who had come to Patna from different parts of the state to participate in Bihar Diwas celebrations, fell ill on Thursday allegedly due to food poisoning.

Eleven of the sick students were being treated in the emergency wing of the paediatric department at Patna Medical College and Hospital (PMCH) while five were discharged from the outpatient department of the hospital after first aid. The remaining students were undergoing treatment at a health camp set up at Gandhi Maidan, the venue of the event, here. Additional chief secretary of state education department, Sanjay Kumar, said the Patna district magistrate has been asked to submit a report by Friday detailing the circumstances under which the students fell ill. He, however, said the condition of all the 11 students undergoing treatment at PMCH was stable.

Kumar did not rule out the possibility of children falling ill due to food poisoning. He, however, said the number of sick students could be less.

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Most students, who had consumed food at a stall set up for them at Gandhi Maidan, complained of vomiting, loose motion, dizziness and weakness. Doctors, however, said apart from food poisoning, hot and humid weather also led to the illnesses of the students.

PMCH principal Dr V P Choudhary said the students were suffering from diarrhoea and dysentery.

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