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Title:	Bird flu fear grips Bokaro as 300 chickens die in farm, Jharkhand			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU- Bokaro, SSU- Jharkhand			

More than 300 chickens died in the last five days at a government poultry farm at Sector 12 in Bokaro's Lohanchal, prompting the district animal husbandry department to raise an alert. The samples have been sent to Kolkata for testing, from where it will be sent to Bhopal for final vetting.

Bokaro deputy commissioner (DC) Kuldeep Chowdhary directed the department concerned to take precautionary measures.

District animal husbandry officer Manoj Kumar Mani on Sunday said they have appealed to the residents to refrain from having chicken and eggs for a few days. "This farm has two types of chickens — Kadaknath and RIR. Deaths are happening in both the variants. A rapid response team has been formed," he said.

The sale of eggs from the government chicken farm has stopped since last February 14. Bleaching powder, lime and other insecticides have been spread in the farm fearing bird flu.

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Sources said that Kolkata lab has confirmed bird flu in the samples sent on Saturday, but officials are waiting for a final report from the lab in Bhopal.

The district animal husbandry officer said that the Kolkata-based lab has also sent test reports to Bhopal-based ICAR-National Institute of High Security Animal Diseases (NIHSAD). "We are awaiting report from there," said Mani.

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