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<b>Title:</b>	<b>One dies, 31 children fall ill due to food poisoning in district Muzaffarpur, Bihar</b>			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU- Muzaffarpur, SSU – Bihar			

One child died and 31 others fell ill allegedly due to food poisoning at village Rupauli under Saraiyya police station area in Muzaffarpur district late Tuesday night. They had consumed food at a shraddh held in the village on Sunday. The deceased, Nishant Kumar, was 10 years' old. The other children were still undergoing treatment at separate hospitals in Muzaffarpur. A medical team was rushed to the village after the incident came to light late Tuesday night. Surprisingly, none of the elders, who had eaten the shraddh meal, fell ill.

Police suspect that the children might have caught contaminated fish from the floodwaters near the village and consumed it after improperly roasting on fire, resulting in the food poisoning.

Muzaffarpur civil surgeon Dr Vinay Kumar Sharma told TOI over the phone on Wednesday that the children had severe vomiting and diarrhoea. "This is food poisoning. However, it is yet not clear why elders didn't fall ill after eating the same food items," he said.

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Sharma said he has directed the food inspector to collect samples from the house where the shraddh had taken place.

Sharma said no vomiting or diarrhoea samples of the children were collected for pathological test. He said a medical team of a doctor and at least three supporting staff is camping at the village.

“The child died on way to the hospital as the family wasted time on his treatment at home,” he said. Sharma said all the children undergoing treatment were stable and safe.

Saraiyya SDPO Rajesh Kumar Sharma said no written complaint has been received yet. Police would take necessary action as per any complaint or direction from senior authority, he added.

Saraiyya police station SHO Ravindra Kumar said no postmortem was conducted and the body of the deceased children was cremated by his family.

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