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Title:	5 kids dead, dozen hospitalised in a week due to contaminated water in district Kheri, Uttar Pradesh			
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A health department assessment indicated that five children died and nine others became unwell in the last two weeks after drinking contaminated water in Saraiyya area in Mohammadi town of Uttar Pradesh's Kheri district, TOI reported.

On Saturday, a team of health officials led by additional chief medical officer (CMO) Dr Anil Kumar Gupta visited the area and conducted a door-to-door inspection of 472 dwellings, where they discovered "contaminated drinking water" as the primary cause of the deaths.

Dr Gupta informed that Mohd Azaan, a four-year-old, and Umra Mohammed, a 14-month-old, had died in the previous week. Previously, three additional children under the age of ten had died after experiencing diarrhoea-like symptoms.

"After carrying out a survey of the area, we found that the tap water pipeline was passing through a sewer and the water was possibly contaminated. We have asked the water board to take samples and ensure pure and hygienic water supply," Dr Gupta was reported saying by TOI.

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So far, no cases of vector-borne diseases such as dengue or malaria have been identified in the area, but the administration has sprayed anti-larvae spray in the area, he added.

Noor Mohammed, Umra's father, stated that his daughter became ill and began vomiting. He assumed she couldn't digest meals, but she died just a few hours later after receiving medication from a nearby clinic.

Meanwhile, it was discovered that many children under the age of five were not vaccinated in the neighbourhood. Following that, officials held talks with older members and clerics from the local mosque in order to persuade people to have their children vaccinated.

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