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Title:	Diarrhoea kills two, sends eight to hospital in Ambala Cantonment village- Haryana			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU- Ambala , SSU- Haryana			

In the last two days, two cases of diarrhea-related deaths have been reported from Shahpur village of Ambala Cantonment. The health department teams reached Shahpur on Sunday and conducted a survey and medical check-up of the villagers.

The health teams detected eight cases of diarrhoea due to consumption of polluted water. The residents allege negligence on the part of the health department. They said due to the ongoing developmental works, the water supply pipelines were damaged from various spots which polluted the drinking water and no bleaching was being done.

Meanwhile, Ambala chief medical officer (CMO) Dr Bela Sharma said teams had been sent to the village and the sub-divisional officer (SDO) concerned of the public health department had been instructed to look into the water supply. A portable water tank had also been assured till the problem was fixed.

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Sunny of Shahpur village said: "In the last two days, two persons have died due to diarrhoea. Shyam Kaur and my grandfather Balbir Singh died of suspected diarrhoea. Krishna Devi is admitted at Sai Hospital in Ambala Cantonment, Palo Devi was discharged from the civil hospital and Jagdish Singh is admitted at the civil hospital, Ambala Cantonment. Around 10 persons in the village are also ill. My son Preet was treated from a private hospital in Ambala City. All of them were diagnosed with symptoms of diarrhoea."

"Works on installation of pipe for water supply from the canal is going on in our village. The authorities have dug up pits all over and the old pipelines are also damaged from some spots. Polluted water is being supplied and the officials concerned are also not putting bleaching powder since past some time," added Sunny.

Meanwhile, CMO in-charge Dr Bela said: "Two epidemiologists have been deployed at Shahpur village who will conduct OPD every day till the situation is controlled. Our teams have detected around eight cases of diarrhoea and their treatment has started. Chlorination of water has been done and tablets have been distributed among the villagers."

When asked about the two deaths, CMO Dr Bela said: "Cases of Shyam Kaur and Balbir Singh are in our notice. Shyam was a chronic patient and died of cardiac arrest while as per the PGI death certificate, Balbir died due to respiratory failure. It is yet unclear whether they have died due to diarrhoea or not. Cases of diarrhoea detected in Shahpur are being treated."

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