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Title:	10 Latehar kids in hospital after having 'prasad', Jharkhand			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU- Latehar, SSU- Jharkhand			

Ten tribal students of a government upgraded middle school at Jagaldagga under Latehar district fell sick and were admitted to the Sadar hospital on Saturday night with symptoms of food poisoning after taking 'bundiya prasad' during Saraswati Puja idol immersion celebrations in the village.

However, they were discharged on Sunday, said Dr Shravan Kr Mahto, one of the doctors who attended to them at the hospital.

Ved Prakash, a health official at the Sadar hospital, said, "All the 10 students were admitted after they started vomiting and showed symptoms of diarrhoea last (Saturday) night. They had eaten prasad. The students were in the age group of 3.5 to eight years. All were tribals."

Dr Sunil Bhagat, who treated the children, said, "The children had bouts of food poisoning. They were referred to the Sadar hospital in Latehar by the community health centre in Chandwa, where they were first taken to from their respective houses at Jagaldagga."

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Dr Mahto added, “We put them on medication and they responded well to the treatment. All through the night, we put them on NPO (nil per os), which means they were not given food or water by mouth. It worked well with them. This morning, they were discharged.”

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