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Title:	6 infants die due to unknown illness in district Udhampur, Jammu and Kashmir			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU-Udhampur, SSU-Jammu and Kashmir			

At least six infants have died and over 12 have been admitted in various hospitals due to spread of an unknown disease in the Ramnagar tehsil of Udhampur district. Although locals have claimed that the number of deaths is above 12, the health authorities have deputed a team of doctors to investigate and submit detailed reports.

Though officials are tight-lipped over the serious health issue in Ramnagar, local sources have claimed that at least 12 infants have died after they complained of chest pain and kidney failure.

The panicked families from the mountainous tehsil have shifted their infants to hospitals after they developed the illness.

The district health authorities have confirmed six deaths. To take assessment of the situation and know the disease, the health authorities have constituted a team of three officials, including the District Health Officer (DHO) Mohammed Yaseen,

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physician Deepak Koul and paediatrician Alok Raina from Udhampur. They have been directed to submit a report as early as possible.

In this regard, District Development Commissioner, Udhampur, Piyush Singla directed the SE, PHE, to lift samples of drinking water for laboratory testing and ensure safe drinking water.

The authorities made an appeal to the public not to panic and if there were any symptoms of fever, vomiting and low urine passage, a doctor must be consulted.

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