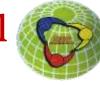




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Over 125 persons including women and children fell ill after consuming 'adulterated food' at a 'shraddh' ceremony in Katihar district on Tuesday morning.

The incident occurred in Sisia village under Vishariya panchayat of Koda block of the district. People started complaining of abdominal pain, vomiting, diarrhoea and dizziness soon after eating the food served at the house of one Niranjan Prasad Singh at the 'shraddh' ceremony organised on Monday night. Rice, dal, vegetables and curd were served. After consuming food everyone went home.

The situation turned ugly on Tuesday as many people who consumed the food served at Niranjan's house fell severely ill. Dr Amit Arya, medical in-charge at Koda primary health centre said over hundreds of people reached the facility for treatment on Tuesday morning.

"Most of the patients were treated at the government school, where doctors are camping, while the condition of three people is stated to be serious. All three have been referred to Purnia for treatment. Symptomatic treatment was provided to all



the patients. Prima facie, it appears that they fell ill after taking stale food at the feast organized in the village. At present, the situation is stable," he said.

As soon as information about the incident was given by the mukhiya (head), a medical team was immediately sent from sadar hospital to treat the patients at Sisia High School.

Upendra Kumar, a local said his brother Surendra attended the feast and he felt uncomfortable around midnight.

"He complained of stomach ache and nausea, after which we admitted him to the local hospital. He is being treated at Sisia High School, which has been converted into the medical facility after many people fell ill," he added.

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