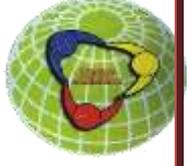




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Title:	5 children among 13 hospitalised after ‘suspected’ cholera outbreak in Gandhinagar, Gujarat			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU- Gandhinagar, SSU- Gujarat			

At least 13 people, including five children, have been admitted to health facilities in Gandhinagar after a suspected outbreak of cholera in the Kalol municipality.

According to Gandhinagar Collector Hitesh Koya, two cases of cholera were confirmed on June 22 following which a notification was issued the same day declaring a two-kilometre radius of the outbreak epicentre as ‘cholera-affected’ under the Epidemic Diseases Act. It is to remain status quo for a month. The areas declared as cholera-affected include the vicinity of Matva Kuva road of the municipality.

State Health Minister Rushikesh Patel apprised of the situation Union Home Minister Amit Shah, in whose electoral constituency the municipality falls under, stated an official release from the BJP.

“A total of 13 persons, including five children, are admitted at present and all are - stable. We believe the outbreak could have been due to water contamination owing to leaks detected in the drainage pipes as well as water supply pipes,” said Koya.

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In early July, 2021, at least four had died and over 100 were suspected to be infected by cholera in Kalol. Officials had then suspected that water pipelines, which are nearly 40 years old, could have been the source of contamination saying sewage water could have mixed with potable water pipelines owing to leakages.

In March 2022, over 200 were detected with diarrhoea in ward 4 of Kalol and the source of contamination was similarly suspected to have been due to leakage in potable water pipelines, damaged owing to digging work for laying cables.

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