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Title:	24 diagnosed with typhoid, officials blame contaminated water in district Krishna, Andhra Pradesh			
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Around 24 people from Boddapadu village of Krishna district who were admitted with high fevers in different hospitals were diagnosed with typhoid. Health officials suspect that water contamination in the village could be the reason for the disease. Similar to the incident in Chaparai village of East Godavari district where 16 people lost their lives, a large number of people were admitted with high fevers and other illnesses on Friday and diagnosed with typhoid.

As on Sunday, the people who were admitted are still availing the treatment and few of them have been shifted to a private hospital in Vijayawada city as their condition is critical. The district health officials have deployed health teams comprising of five doctors in those regions to study the problem. Speaking to Express, District Medical and Health Officer, TVSN Sastry said, "There are some viral fevers like malaria and dengue which are still active in the district.

Adding to this, cases of typhoid have also been reported. We are constantly monitoring all fever cases to ensure every person gets proper treatment. We are constantly keeping in touch with the doctors of private hospitals for the updated health report."

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Sastry further said that an investigation has to be conducted to study the case in the district as all the people have been affected at a go. "We are suspecting that water contamination, particularly in that place, has led to the outbreak of typhoid, just like in Chaparai where people consumed contaminated water. We also directed the Panchayat Raj department to make sure proper sanitation and drinking water is provided in these areas to avoid future outbreaks," he added.

As of now, in Krishna district, 554 malaria cases and 86 dengue cases have been reported of which there were no deaths. Officials have been directed to conduct awareness camps, sanitation drives and periodical health check-ups across the district

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