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The death of four monkeys in Bullahalli, a village near Devanahalli, Bengaluru Rural District, in the past few days has created concern among villagers who are seeing it as an ominous development. There are about 500 monkeys that have made a banyan tree in the village their home and villagers treat them as their family.

Lokesh, a resident of Bullahalli, said, "Villagers feed monkeys with bananas, bread and other eats. But in the past few days four monkeys have died and another 100 have grown frail. Veterinarians are yet to figure out what could be the reason behind this. They suspect the monkeys might have eaten grapes from nearby farms and traces of pesticides on them may have rendered them the reason for their sickness could be because of it. Viscera samples of the dead monkeys have been taken for further investigation."

Rajanna, another villager, said many villagers are fearing that the epidemic among monkeys bodes ill for the village. "Many monkeys are refusing to eat whatever we give and look dull through the day. But only a section of monkeys are ill, adding to the mystery," he added.

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