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Title:	60 students fall ill after eating mid-day meal in district Kathua, Jammu and Kashmir			
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At least 60 students of a government primary school fell ill after consuming the mid-day meal at Ghatti village in Kathua district today. Contaminated food and water were suspected to be the cause of the incident. The district administration ordered a probe into the incident. Samples of the mid-day meal and water were collected. Chief Education Officer (CEO) Balbir Singh suspended the school headmaster and mid-day meal incharge following receipt of a report on substandard mid-day meal being served to the students. "At least 60 students of the government primary school at Ghatti complained of pain in the stomach and vomited after consuming the mid-day meal and were hospitalised," said JP Singh, sarpanch of the village.

The students were taken to the primary health centre in the village, from where 45 students were shifted to the district hospital in Kathua for further treatment. The district administration constituted a committee comprising the Chief Medical Officer, the CEO, tehsildar and a food inspector. The committee was directed to submit its report to the Deputy Commissioner within two days. "As soon as I received information about the incident, I visited the school and took stock of the situation," said the CEO. He said samples had been taken and the headmaster and mid-day meal incharge suspended with immediate effect. "Ghatti village is supplied water every 15 days. The water supply in a rusted pipeline may be the cause of the incident," said the sarpanch. Students admitted to the district hospital said the mid-day meal which was served to them smelt of kerosene. The pulses were reportedly boiled yesterday, but cooked today.

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