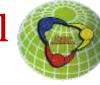




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Title:	100 fell ill in Gurgaon condo, water to be tested for contamination, Haryana			
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Around 100 residents of a society in Sector 83 have fallen ill and complained of diarrhoea, fever and stomach ache over the last seven days.

The health scare and sudden spike in water borne diseases is suspected to be due to contaminated water, which is supplied to the Vatika Lifestyle Homes through a GMDA (Gurugram Metropolitan Development Authority) pipeline. Around 700 families are living in the society at present.

Rajat Gupta, a resident, said that his 13-year-old son and wife have been suffering from fever, abdominal pain and diarrhoea for the last three days. "They are on medication. Earlier we thought this was due to a change in weather or spoiled food. But then similar complaints appeared on the society's social media groupabout the symptoms. They pointed towards contamination in the water, which is a common source. We are now only using bottled water for consumption."

The society's RWA on Saturday raised the matter with GMDA to check the supply and with district administration and health department to intervene and ensure corrective

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measures. The RWA has advised the residents to take precautionary measures and use only bottled or boiled water.

"Around 100 residents of the society have complained about similar symptoms and since water is a common source, we suspect there is some contamination causing a health crisis. Few days ago, we saw sandy water in the supply and the matter was reported to the facility management," Amresh Mishra, RWA president of the society, said.

Meanwhile, a team of GMDA officials visited the site on Saturday and said there is no contamination in the water supply.

"A team from PHC Bhangrola visited the society and collected water samples from the inlet and outlet points along with some from the affected households too. The samples will be sent for testing. We will conduct a medical camp in the society on Monday," a senior official from the health department said.

Lt Col SK Mehta, VP Residential, Enviro said the water supply to multiple societies including Lifestyle Homes is checked thoroughly every day. "We have also got this tested by an independent agency. The PH and hardness level was checked and found to be within permissible limits."

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