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Title:	<b>26 prisoners found HIV+ during health camp at Barabanki jail, Uttar Pradesh</b>			
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After a total of 26 prisoners in Barabanki jail were found to be human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) positive, the shocked health department has decided to conduct the HIV test of 70 women prisoners lodged there too.

The tests were conducted by the health department during a three-phase HIV camp at the jail from August 10 to September 1, officials said.

The state's health department has written a letter to the jail administration asking these infected prisoners to get treatment from the antiretroviral therapy (ART) centre in Lucknow.

Soon, the department is going to set up another camp in the jail, in which women prisoners will be examined.

According to the officials, two of these prisoners were already undergoing antiretroviral therapy at RML Hospital in Lucknow. Now, the therapy will be given to the new 24 patients too.

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After the test reports came in, the prisoners found HIV positive have been separated from others. It is being told that about 200 prisoners were tested, out of which, the report of 26 has been found positive.

Barabanki district jail superintendent Alok Singh said, "There are a total of 3,300 prisoners in the district jail. Of these, 26 prisoners have been found to be HIV positive during a routine investigation. Their treatment is going on."

Barabanki chief medical officer Dr Awadhesh Yadav said, "We are paying more attention to the treatment of these prisoners. Some of them are old too. However, we are yet to ascertain how these prisoners got infected with HIV. The family members of these prisoners have also been informed about it. Special care is being taken."

In June, as many as six inmates of Gonda district jail had tested positive for HIV. The confirmation had come during a random blood sampling of inmates after an undertrial tested positive in the jail.

In Saharanpur jail, 22 inmates, including a woman, were detected to be HIV positive in July. The matter came to the fore when a health check-up camp conducted by the health department in the jail.

Notably, UP AIDS Control Society conducts the test programme and medical camps in the state. This programme is currently being held across 75 districts.

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