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Title:	15 'mystery deaths' in West Godavari town in last six days, Andhra Pradesh			
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Mystery shrouds the deaths taking place in the dusty town of Jangareddygudem in West Godavari district in the last six days. According to locals, as many as 15 people have died in the town in the last one week.

Medical authorities, however, insist that only one death was reported in the area hospital and two others were referred to Eluru government hospital.

But officials do not want to take the 'mysterious deaths' lightly. The West Godavari district machinery, including the police and special enforcement bureau, have jumped into action to verify the claims and find out what caused the sudden deaths in the town. A central team has also arrived in Jangareddigudem.

After family members of some of the deceased blamed spurious liquor as the cause of the deaths, West Godavari SP Rahul Dev Sharma sought information from the families concerned. The SP said 16 people died between March 6 and 11.

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He said the deaths could be due to many causes, including high blood pressure, diabetics, asthma, heart disease, and old age problems. Three of the deceased were reportedly alcoholics. The age of the deceased is between 45 and 70 years. Five of them are above 60 years. He said the SEB has intensified raids in the region, particularly where the deaths have taken place.

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