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Title:	8 test positive for Japanese encephalitis in Kheri district, Uttar Pradesh			
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This monsoon, Japanese encephalitis (JE) has afflicted many in the rural parts of Kheri district. So far, as many as eight cases have already been confirmed by the health officials. Out of these cases, one patient has died while the others are being treated either at the district hospital in Lakhimpur or higher centres in Lucknow. Health officials suspect that some patients may have succumbed to JE before their samples were sent to Lucknow for tests. There are no facilities to test JE in the district and samples have to be sent elsewhere for diagnosis. Most of the patients of encephalitis are children below 15 years of age. They are being kept under medical observation. The health officials recently sent 19 samples to Lucknow and eight tested positive for JE while the results of two samples are awaited. After detecting such a high number of JE cases in the district, a separate ward has been set up for JE patients. Those whose condition is critical have been referred to higher centres in Lucknow.

All the hospitals have been alerted in the district to provide details of suspected JE cases so that their samples can be sent to Lucknow for testing. Dr I B Tripathi, who is in charge of the district hospital of Lakhimpur in the absence of CMS Dr Manoj Kumar, told TOI, "Most of the cases are being reported from rural areas, where there is poor hygiene and sanitation. The vector of this disease among humans is mosquitoes and unhygienic conditions in rural areas is the main reason for such a high number of cases there. We are now sending the samples of all the suspected cases to Lucknow and a separate ward has been set up for the patients."

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