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Title:	Gujarat: 40 labourers hospitalised after chlorine gas leakage in Surat			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU-Valsad, SSU-Gujarat			

Gujarat Pollution Control Board (GPCB) officials said that due to the leak in the pipe, the chlorine gas spread to the neighbouring factory where the labourers were working. Over 40 contractual labourers working in a glass manufacturing factory at Sarigam GIDC in Valsad district were on Thursday taken to hospital after a leakage of chlorine gas. The condition of four labourers were stated to be critical.

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According to police, there was a leak in a pipe of a chemical company — Vinayak Industries — that manufactures ferric chloride. The leak happened when chlorine gas discharging was in progress. The company is situated just adjacent to the glass manufacturing factory.

Gujarat Pollution Control Board (GPCB) officials said that due to the leak in the pipe, the chlorine gas spread to the neighbouring factory where the labourers were working.

Police said the labourers complained of suffocation as the gas spread to their factory. They started vomiting and even had problems in breathing. They were rushed to nearby Sarigam Rotary Hospital. While most of the labourers were discharged after primary treatment, four were referred to Hariya Hospital in Vapi.

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