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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Diarrhoea claims five lives in Samana in district Patiala, Punjab</b>			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU-Patiala, SSU-Punjab			

Deplorable sanitation conditions, coupled with a careless attitude of residents, who reportedly drew water from pipes passing through septic tanks, have resulted in five deaths due to diarrhoea in Samana.

At least 118 cases have been reported in the area in the past five days. The deceased have been identified as Pooja (32), Ramandeep Kaur (5), Satnam Singh (50), Dewan Chand (65) and Jung Khan (50).

The health authorities have dispatched rapid response teams to different areas, which started attending to the patients, besides distributing medicines to those affected by the outbreak.

The authorities have disconnected the supply of contaminated water and efforts are afoot to curtail the further spread of the disease which so far has caused dysentery among several residents.

The administration maintained that huge quantities of chlorine tables were being distributed among the residents who are prone to the disease.

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Patiala Civil Surgeon Dr Rajiv Bhalla said the department was holding medical camps in all colonies. He said they had collected water samples. Meanwhile, Water Supply and Sanitation Minister Surjit Singh Rakhra visited the Samana Civil Hospital and directed that all patients be provided treatment free of cost.

He also marked an inquiry to know the causes of the diarrhoea outbreak and said anyone found guilty would face action.

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