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Title:	<b>Steel City health department on toes after chickenpox 'outbreak' in East Singhbhum, Jharkhand</b>			
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After seven people living in Beldihgram slum of Sonari locality were diagnosed with chickenpox on Tuesday, panic struck the nearby areas over the reported outbreak of the disease in East Singhbhum district.

The district surveillance team on Tuesday rushed to the slum to review the situation. The affected — six children and one adult — belonged to different families.

The in-charge of the team, Dr Ashad, said the cases are on the rise in both rural and urban areas of East Singhbhum district in the last 20 days.

People should be vigilant as chickenpox is a communicable disease and spreads through coming in contact with the infected person, he added.

Cases have also been reported from a slum located in Dhatkidih area of the city on February 4, Dr Arshad added.

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Notably, 28 people have been diagnosed with the disease in a village under Potka block, located 13 km from the Steel City, over the last fortnight.

Meanwhile, the residents of the gated apartments have opposed the entry of domestic helps and other workers from the affected slum into their respective complexes.

Amrita Rao, a music teacher in a private school and resident of Sonari, said she has asked her domestic help from Beldihgram to stop coming till all cases recover.

Her kids are in a vulnerable group, she stressed.

Anwasha Sharma, a homemaker from Sonari, said she has instructed her driver from the affected area to not report for work till things normalise.

The driver drops her children to school and picks them up after classes get over, she stated.

Civil surgeon Dr Jujhar Manjhi stated cases have been reported from both rural and urban areas of the district.

The health department is maintaining a close vigil on the situation and directions have been issued to the health department to ensure that the disease does not spread to other areas, he added. Family members of the affected should ensure that the sick isolates himself/herself for 21 days. Children should be kept away from the affected person, he stressed.

Those who have rashes or red spots on skin accompanied with fever and sore throat must immediately seek medical help.

The surveillance team of the health department has been asked to maintain data on the number of patients affected with chickenpox, Dr Manjhi stated.

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