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Title:	25 taken to hospitals with suspected food poisoning symptoms in district Nagapattinam, Tamil Nadu			
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As many as 25 people, including 5 children from Vedaranyam and surrounding villages in Nagapattinam district, were taken to government hospitals with suspected case of food poisoning. Sources said the residents began throwing up and had bouts of diarrhea after having dinner on Friday night.

Those taken to hospital with symptoms of food poisoning are residents of Vedaranyam, Aathanur, Kodyakkadu and Maruthur, sources said. After they residents showed symptoms, their relatives took them to government hospitals in Vedaranyam and Maruthur where doctors treated it as suspected case of food poisoning.

Villagers said that the residents fell sick after they consumed food at their houses. Sources from Aathanur said drinking water from unhygienic sources must have made the residents sick. Local administration has been supplying water from Kollidam. However, for the last few days, water supply has been disrupted following a leaky pipeline. This forced the civic authorities to minimize the quantum of water to stop the wastage of water. As the availability of drinking water went down, the residents ventured out and collected water from hand pumps and bore wells. Drinking water from unhygienic sources could be the reason, they said

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