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Title:	50 students fainted after lizard found in food in Tiruvannamalai, Tamil Nadu			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU – Tiruvannamalai, SSU- Tamil Nadu			

A government primary school and a high school are functioning separately in the same campus at Thandarai village near Tiruvannamalai.

Every day, nutritious meals are cooked in the primary school and distributed to both schools. On the occasion of Kamaraj's birthday, students were given sugar Pongal along with mixed rice. The students eagerly bought and ate it.

A lizard was found dead in a student's pongal. The shocked students informed the teachers.

In the meantime, 50 students who had eaten the food suffered from vomiting and fainting and were admitted to Tiruvannamalai Government Medical College Hospital.

After this, District Principal Education Officer Ganesh Murthy and Elementary Education District Education Officer Karthikeyan conducted an inquiry with the nutrition workers. Later, organizer Shyamala and cook Manjula were suspended for negligence in cooking food.

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