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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Unknown disease claims five deaths in district Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh</b>			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU-Visakhapatnam, SSU-Andhra Pradesh			

Five deaths have been reported from the tribal village of Karakavalasa, under Rompilli panchayat in Ananthagiri mandal of Visakhapatnam district, in the last few days. An unknown disease is said to have caused the deaths. At least four others from the same village, with symptoms like high fever, stomach pain, and swollen hands and legs are being treated at Gajapatnagar government hospital in Vizianagaram.

Six people have been shifted to King George Hospital in Vizag. While five-year-old Padma and K Sitayya (45) died in the first week of September, J Errayya (20) died on September 8 and K Ademma (40) passed away on September 12. Another villager, 38-year-old K Bucchaiah, died on Wednesday. All of them were showing the same symptoms. Health authorities also conducted a medical camp in the village on September 14, but there's no clarity on the disease. KGH superintendent P V Sudhakar told TOI that they have kept the six villagers, who were admitted to the hospital on Thursday, under observation.

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"We have sent their blood and swab samples for tests. All six are recovering. We are yet to identify the disease that caused the deaths," he said.

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