

# Two kids die in Nagaur after measles vaccination

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JAIPUR: Two kids died while three others were hospitalized in a serious condition after they were administered contaminated measles vaccine in Nagaur on Saturday.

Following the incident, the health department stopped all vaccinations in the district and ordered an inquiry. The department also dismissed a male nurse, Harish Meratiya, who administered the vaccine.

Health minister AA Khan said that action would be taken against five officials including chief medical and health officer RK Meena, reproductive child health officer JP Mirdha, block chief health officer [Ashok Singh Rajawat](#), medical officer [Subhash Bhaskar](#) and nurse Leelamma. The minister said that a fourmember team of doctors has been sent to Nagaur.

Late on Sunday night, three infants were admitted to JK Lone hospital in Jaipur. Their condition was stated to be out of danger. All the children are ninemonths-old and belong to the same locality in Thikara Kala village. The three infants who are in JK Lone are Dharmendra, Pappu and Sanjay. "The kids have swelling in the thigh. They were brought here with complaints of fever. Now, all of them are out of danger," hospital superintendent SD Sharma said.

Nagaur chief medical and health officer RK Meena said: "We have found that ANM [Harish Meratiya](#) had administered the contaminated vaccine to the five children." He said that the vaccine was given to the ANM on July 14. Once opened, the vaccine will last only for 4 hours.

But the ANM administered it on July 28, almost 14 days after it was opened. The first child died on July 30 in the morning and an hour later, another child died.