

Cholera kills seven

TORORO

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Seven children have been reported dead and others admitted to health facilities in Malaba and Tororo town after a suspected cholera outbreak.

The outbreak has been blamed on contaminated water, which the affected people drank that could have been mixed with faecal matter from water run-off due to the heavy rains.

Local authorities confirmed that the five died before they were taken for treatment, while the two died at Tororo General Hospital shortly after they were put on treatment.

Ngarunsu Kahawa said her family lost two children, but the third is responding to treatment at the hospital.

Dr Thomas Ochar, the Tororo General Hospital medical superintendent, said by the time Kahawa's children were admitted, they were dehydrated and too weak to be saved.