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Turned away from hospitals, family of three allegedly commits suicide

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Three members of a family are suspected to have committed suicide at Thakurpukur after consuming poison, following "negligence and harassment by the city hospitals and police", locals alleged. The deceased trio had been identified as Gobinda Karmakar (80), his wife Runu Karmakar (70) and their specially-abled son Debashis Karmakar, police said.

Sources said that the head of the family, Gobindo, who used to live with his family at a single-storey house at Satyanarayan Pally, was taken ill recently. His wife was down with paralysis and was completely bed-ridden. His only son was specially-abled. "We have recovered the bodies of the trio

from their home. Prima facie it appears that they have committed suicide as a note was recovered from the spot. The investigation is on. The bodies have been sent for autopsy," an officer at Thakurpukur police station said. The locals, however, attributed the death to the alleged "negligency" perpetrated by the three city hospitals and the police.

Narrating the incident, one neighbour said: "First, he was taken to Vidyasagar hospital where some of us had accompanied him but from there he was sent away fearing he might have contracted Covid after thermal scanning registered temperature. Then he was taken to CMCH but here he was refused admission as thermal scanning did not register any temperature and the hospital

felt it was not necessary to admit him. Then lastly he was taken to NRS hospital, where he again was refused admission on the pretext that there were no beds. As a result he was left abandoned by the police at his home. But despite repeated requests to the police to help him getting admission at a hospital, nothing was done."

"Today, when we did not get any response despite repeated knocks on the door, we moved in. We found Gobindo lying dead on the floor while his wife and son were found dead on the bed. A text written with a chalk mentioning that they are dead was found inscribed on the floor. Police have recovered the body," the neighbour added. "We are awaiting autopsy report," said DC South West division.

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