

# Pregnant woman from Red Zone dies after delayed treatment: Family

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**Srinagar:** Authorities have ordered a probe into the death of a woman and her twin babies after doctors allegedly delayed her treatment at a maternity hospital in south Kashmir's Anantnag district over apprehensions that she might be a coronavirus patient.

The woman who hailed from Kharpora village, which has been declared a coronavirus "red zone" by the administration was admitted to Child and Maternity Hospital Anantnag on Saturday morning. Family members alleged that since she hailed from a red zone area, doctors were hesitant to treat her, which eventually led to her and the twins' death.

Principal Government Medical College, Showkat Geelani, said that he has ordered an inquiry into the matter. "A committee has been constituted and asked to submit its report within three days," he told.

He said that samples were also taken from the woman to check if she had coronavirus.

When contacted, the hospital's Medical Superintendent, Dr Mirji Andrabi, said the woman's family had been asked to follow the recommended guidelines for the burial of coronavirus patients. (GNS)

