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A UNICEF delegation has arrived in the city on a visit to observe water management techniques in rural areas of the State. Focus of the team comprising of members from Japan, Denmark, Ethiopia and Yemen will be on the problem of fluorosis in the groundwater. The Jaipur visit will conclude on September 26.

The delegation would go to the villages of Jaipur, Dungarpur and Rajasmand districts, media manager of the programme said. The team members would also scrutinise data on water quality, technology available on fluorosis mitigation pilot programme, partnership with non-government organisations and lessons to be learnt from interventions made. The UNICEF is working with the Government of India for the past three decades to scale up the quality of drinking water available to the people.

The objective of the visit would be to demonstrate the UNICEF's Fluorosis Mitigation programme by identifying villages and habitations where public water sources contain fluoride above the acceptable limit of 1.5 gm per litre, a press statement read.

In Jaipur, the delegation would visit Chandel village near Chaksu and share their observations and experiences on Wednesday. The team would see the system of rural water supply, infrastructure, water quality and technological choices for design of fluorosis mitigation programme, the statement added.