

Mayuge lightning victims recover

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Nine pupils who were struck by lightning on Monday in Mayuge District are steadily recovering, according to health workers at Iganga Hospital.

The pupils of Igeyero Primary School were injured after lightning struck them while in class. Dr. Mohammed Lubega, the hospital superintendent says six of the pupils have fully regained consciousness and can communicate and eat well.

Mr Joseph Balaba, the school headmaster, said the incident has affected school attendance because the children fear to be struck again.

He said school administrators have decided to launch counselling sessions for the affected pupils.

Most schools in the district have poor infrastructure with no fire equipment and lightning conductors.

Recently, one child was struck dead by lightning and four others injured during a heavy downpour in Bugongi village.