

Quadruplets' mum detained over N3m bill dies in Lagos hospital

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A 28-year-old woman, Mrs Charity Anani, who delivered quadruplets at a private hospital identified as Adebayo Hospital in Igando, Lagos State, has died alongside one of her newborns.

The father of the newborns, Mr Paul, confirmed to our correspondent, saying the incident happened on Friday, April 3, 2026, after Charity suddenly developed a breathing complication on Thursday evening.

The late Charity had earlier, in an interview, told *Sunday PUNCH* that she was delivered of the four babies on Friday, February 27, 2026, after which they were detained over their failure to balance up their medical bill of N3m.

It was learned that she also had a daughter before the birth of the quadruplet, adding that the family initially expected twins as suggested by different ultrasound scans, but it was a surprise when she

was eventually delivered of four babies.

While a caesarean section had been carried out on Charity to deliver two out of the babies, one of the newborns developed complications and was placed on oxygen in an incubator.

The situation, however, forced the late Charity and Paul

to seek public support to offset their hospital bill.

Speaking with *Sunday PUNCH* on the development, the bereaved husband said the incident had thrown the family into mourning, noting that after Charity's health condition worsened, she was placed on oxygen and medication.

Group decries neglect of Christians

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THE Gwoza Elite Forum, a religious group in Borno State, has expressed disappointment over the treatment of Christian Internally Displaced Persons in the state.

The president of the forum, Emmanuel Ibrahim, stated this on Saturday while speaking at the third Gwoza Christian National Conference in Maiduguri.

Ibrahim also lamented, and the absence of a single Christian councillor in 13 wards predominantly dominated by

Christians, calling for political intervention and an end to religious sidelining in the state.

He added that political leaders in the state should prioritise appointing a reasonable percentage Christians as their legislative aides and special assistants and ensure that a reasonable proportion of Christians benefits from their various empowerment support and programmes.

Speaking on IDP welfare, Ibrahim said, "We recognise His Excellency, Prof Babagana Zulum, the state governor,