

Sawmill fire out-break claims girl's life in Lagos

FIRE outbreak at a saw-mill in Ebute-Metta, Lagos, has reportedly claimed one life and destroyed property worth millions of Naira.

The fire incident was said to have occurred out Tuesday night at about 9 p.m. and caused pandemonium in a settlement, popularly known as "Ebute".

The settlement, which was filled with wooden houses, was destroyed but most of the residents escaped.

A resident, Mr Bolaji Aminu, said a young girl died in the fire.

He disclosed that the fire started when one of the residents used a candle while switching on a generator and the set caught fire.

Another resident, Mrs. Jinadu Sulait, said that though she lost her house and property to the fire, "but I am happy that none of my family members was lost to the fire".

A police officer, Miss Bimbo Olare-

waju, described the fire as a "shock," saying that she ran away from her residence in the affected area without any valuable.

Another resident of "Ebute", Mr. Sunday Aliu, said he escaped the fire only by God's grace.

"As you can see, I am with only my underwear on, and this is only what I have on earth now; every other thing has been consumed by the fire", he said. (NAN)