

Kids suffocate in parked car



From Hir Joseph, Lafia

Two kids belonging to the same parent suffocated to death last week in Lafia, Nasarawa state in their father's parked car. Five year old Hasiya, a girl and her four year old brother, Izzudeen were found dead in their father's Toyota car parked outside the family residence in Sabon Pegi area of Lafia metropolis, Lafia.

Father of the deceased kids Alhaji Bashir Mohammed Sarki who is a Chief Imam of a Juma'at Mosque told Daily Trust they locked themselves in the car and couldn't get out. He said they were discovered only at about past 8pm last Wednesday, after the family and neighbours searched for them from 12pm of the same day without success.

"We started searching for them at about 12pm. We searched all around the neighbourhood, and beyond. We were in every house to search. We reported to the Mai Angwa (traditional head) to announce, and then returned home. Somebody knocked at my door to inform me that the light in my vehicle was on; that I needed to turn it off. I quickly picked the car keys and rushed out." I opened the car. My children's bodies lied there lifeless. That is what happened to us", the Imam told *Daily Trust*.

The two children were buried the following morning according to Islamic rites.