Family of 4 dies after a meal of guinea corn flour in Kebbi

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A husband, wife and their two children have been reported dead in Danko chiefdom, Danko-Wasagu local government area of Kebbi State.

The four family members were said to have suddenly developed stomach ache and died after consuming the meal prepared from guinea corn flour.

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A resident of the community, Jeremiah Audu, who spoke to our correspondent, said the family on the day of the incident bought the guinea corn flour at the market in a nearby town, Riba, and prepared a meal.

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"We didn't know that was what they ate. We were only attracted by the screams coming from their apartment and when we went to see what was happening we met the four of them, husband, wife and their two children, groaning in pains on the ground but before we could help them the wife and two children died," he said.

He added that the husband, who did not die immediately, was rushed to the General Hospital at Riba but he also died before he could be attended to.

"Before he died he said the family ate a meal of a guinea corn flour they bought from the market and they all started to feel uncomfortable after the meal", he said.

He said the death of the four family members threw the community into confusion on Sallah day.

"Everyone in the village was terrified by their death. We were shocked because it was sudden and unexpected," he lamented.

The State Police Command's Public Relations Officer, DSP Nafiu Abubakar could not get the DPO of the area to confirm the incident as at the time of filing the report.