Generator furnes kill 7 in Osun

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Seven family members have died from fumes from a power generator in Apomu town, Isokan Local Government Area of Osun State.

The family members were found dead in their house at the Oke-Suna area of the town and the incident caused panic as residents thought they were killed by evil spirits.

One of the family members was

rescued and rushed to a hospital and later taken to another hospital as he remained unconscious.

The residents became apprehensive and many people fled the area to avoid being killed by the said evil spirits.

Some of the residents of the area also claimed that they perceived odour of chemical in the house where the family members died.

However, the traditional ruler of the town, the Alapomu of Apomu, Oba Kayode Afolabi, said findings made by a palace delegation that visited the scene indicated that the family members might have been killed by generator fumes.

Also, the police spokesman in Osun, Yemisi Opalola, said detectives deployed to the scene reported that the family used a generator and that this could be responsible for their deaths.

She said an autopsy would be conducted to ascertain the real cause of their deaths, and therefore appealed to the residents of the town not to panic.

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