



# Fire kills family of 3 in Abuja

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A family of three has lost their lives following a fire in their house in Gwagwa town of the Federal Capital Territory FCT.

The incident which occurred on Thursday morning, was allegedly caused by power outage in the area, located around Slaughter Site, Gwagwa.

A neighbour to the deceased, Abubakar Abdullahi, who put the time of the incident as 4am, said the head of the family, simply known as Sulaiman Tela, his wife and their only one son, were burnt to death in the incident.

He said all efforts by a crowd to get access into the house, a bungalow, was unsuccessful, as the main entrance was locked with padlock.

“We later located the remains of the mother and her son, who was not up to two years, in the living room, while that of the father was found behind their sitting room, Abdullahi added.

Also speaking, another resident, Usman Ahmed, said most of the residents in the area locked their compounds with padlocks from within due to the rate of burglaries in the community.

The chief imam of Gwagwa, Malam Kasim Shuaib, said the remains of the three, were buried in the town's cemetery in accordance to Islamic rites.