

# Family Of 11 Perish In Fire Disaster

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A family of 11 has perished in a fire incident that gutted the family residence at the Bakin-Ruwa, a suburb of Kaduna metropolis at the early hours of Friday.

According to witness account, the fire started at about 4:30 a.m. in the one storey building, claiming the lives of one Alhaji Lawal, his wife, seven children and a relation and her baby who visited them.

The fire was said to have been sparked off by an electrical fault trapping the family who live atop the ground floor.

Their neighbours who managed to escape unhurt however, lost all their property in the inferno which was said to have lasted for over an hour.

The fire service was said to have arrived late even as neighbours made desperate attempt to put up the fire but without success.

A witness, Mallama Habiba Mohammed, a neighbour of the deceased who escaped unhurt but lost all her belongings to the fire said, "It was not possible for the family to escape because of the fire started from their house. It started from the entrance of the house, so they were trapped. We immediately called the fire service and did everything possible to quench the fire but it was beyond our efforts. The fire service came very late to put out the fire."

Meanwhile, the governor of Kaduna State, Alhaji Namadi Sambo, has visited the victims of the incident to condole them and the relations of the family that perished.