

Mysterious Fire Consumes Man, Wife, Two-Year-Old Child In Kano

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A mysterious fire has consumed a family of three at Gayawa Tsohuwa, Ungogo Local Government Area of Kano State.

The victims who have been identified as Malam Aminu Bala, 50; Rukkaiya Aminu, 30, and Aisha Aminu, 2, were reportedly burnt beyond recognition.

According to a resident of the area, the raging fire was noticed in the deceased's residence at the wee hours of Wednesday, and contact was made with the Kano fire service department for rescue operations.

The resident, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the entrance gate was padlocked from outside while the inferno raged.

He said effort by neighbours to cut the padlock and rescue the occupants was futile as the fire spread and intensified.

Alhaji Saidu Mohammed, the spokesman for the

service, while confirming the incident to newsmen in Kano, said the remains of the victims had been deposited at the Murtala Muhammed Specialist Hospital, Kano.

According to the Fire Service spokesman, "We received a distress call in the early hours of Wednesday from one Malam Mudassir Abdullahi at about 3:57a.m. that there was a fire outbreak at a residence, and we quickly dispatched a fire engine to the scene at about 4:08a.m. to bring the fire under control."

Mohammed said investigation had commenced to determine the cause of the incident.

Similarly, the police in Kano have promised to probe the incident in order to unravel the mystery behind the inferno.

DSP Abdullahi Haruna, Police Public Relations Officer in Kano, said the Commissioner of Police, Ahmed Iliyasu, had directed full inquest into the incident, as he assured the general public it would get to the root of the matter.