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## Woman burnt to death in Lagos

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Suspected cultists yesterday burnt 65-year-old Adejoke Adefuye to death after setting her residence on fire.

The incident, which occurred at 19, Oshinfolarin Street Bariga, Lagos, also rendered all occupants of the building homeless.

It was learnt that the hoodlums had struck at about 9am, trapped the woman inside her room and set it on fire.

The suspected arsonists, it was gathered, camped behind the deceased's room to ensure she did not escape.

The latest incident is the second by suspected cultists last week.

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It came after a similar incident in Mushin last Tuesday.

According to residents, the arsonists were on a reprisal mission and had stormed the area since Friday night to terrorise people.

While other occupants of the building were said to have escaped with minor injuries, Adefuye who was inside one of the rooms, was burnt beyond recognition.

It took fire service officials and other emergency responders about three hours to put out the fire.

Confirming the incident, Lagos State Fire Service Director, Rasaq Fadipe urged residents to always inform the agency of fire outbreak on time.

He noted that the timely arrival of firemen to the scene reduced the extent of damage, adding that only two rooms were affected.

Lagos State Emergency Management Agency's (LASEMA) boss, Micheal Akindele, said those who sustained minor injuries were treated by LASAMBUS, adding that the deceased has been deposited in a morgue.

"Proper investigation would be carried out by security operatives on the incident. Lagosians should assist the police with necessary information," he said.

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