

Fire outbreak kills Ogogoro seller, three children

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Four members of a family have been killed in a fire that gutted their home in the Isale Awori area of Atan in Ado Odo/Ota Local Government Area of Ogun State.

The incident happened on Monday April 25, 2016.

The incident was allegedly caused by a local gin popularly called Ogogoro.

The fire, which ravaged the family's apartment left the woman, her two children and grandchild dead.

It was learnt that the late woman was a local gin (Ogogoro) seller.

The fire was said to have started around 8pm when the late woman was trying to brew the local gin when she ran out of stock.

The identity of the woman and her children were not known at press time.

A cross section of neighbours approached by our correspondent declined information about their identity.

Sources, who spoke in confidence, said the woman's son who tried to save his mother was also burnt to death.

It was also gathered that a nursing daughter of the woman and her baby also died in the fire incident while she was trying to save her mother.

A neighbour who asked not to be named said: "I don't know the woman's name but we all call her Iya Oloti because she sold a local gin called Ogogoro.

"She was trying to brew the drink and got burnt while trying to light the matches. The fire outbreak also consumed their apartment; nothing was salvaged in the incident."

"The woman's son, daughter and granddaughter were also burnt to death as neighbours fruitlessly tried to put out the fire."

A family who did not want her name in print said: "This a tragic incident and we would not have ordinarily spoken to the press about it. However, we felt that it is important for people to learn to take precautions to prevent fire outbreak, hence, we decided to talk about it in the media."