

Arson: Man arrested over death of three family members in Kano



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The Kano State Police command on Saturday confirmed the arrest of a 25-year-old man, Salisu Idris, for allegedly setting a house ablaze, killing three occupants who are believed to be members of the same family.

The incident occurred last Wednesday at Gayawa Tsohuwa village, Ungogo local government area of the state.

Police Public Relations Officer of the command, DSP Abdullahi Haruna Kiyawa, who confirmed the arrest, said the victims included the father, the pregnant mother and their 2-year-old daughter.

“After the incidence, the command’s commissioner of police, Ahmed Iliyasu, raised all the tactical units, the area commander of the metro division and the DPO of Zango division and he gave them 24 hours to produce the perpetrators of the heinous act.

They immediately swung into action. Using our community policing strategies we were able to trace, track and arrest one person by name Salisu Idris at mijinbir town, where he went to take cover at the local government area,” he said.

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Responding to inquiries from reporters, the suspect confessed that he was hired on a promise of N200, 000 to carry out the act. Idris, a mobile phone seller, said he wanted to use the money to enroll into the Yusuf Maitama Sule University, Kano. “A friend of mine asked me to accompany him to the house. He asked me to come along with him that at the end of the operation he will give me N200, 000. We came around 2pm. And when we came we both climbed unto the building with petrol and immediately the fire was ignited I got caught up and burnt my hands and legs” he confessed.