

## 24 family members die of food poisoning

**S**OKOTO State Commissioner for Health Dr. Ali Inname yesterday confirmed the death of 24 family members after eating some poisonous food.

The commissioner said in a statement that the incident occurred on Monday in Danzanke village in Isa Local Government Area.

He explained that the incident was caused by use of a fertiliser-type of chemical, popularly called "Gishirin lalle in Hausa" as seasoning in

domestic family cooking which was considered as common salt.

"Regrettably, the entire family who ate the meal lost their lives, except two female members, who merely tasted the food and are currently responding to treatment, with very good chances of survival.

"Attempts to save all the affected people by providing the needed medical care proved abortive," Inname said.