

Drug addict sets mother ablaze in Minna

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AN alleged drug addict, Steven Sule Jiya, has set his mother ablaze in Minna after several attempts to kill her failed.

Comfort Jiya, who died as a result of the burns she sustained from Steven's attack, was a former principal at Maryam Babangida Science College, Minna.

It was learnt that the incident, which occurred on Monday saw Steven pouring petrol on his mother while she was cooking in the kitchen at her residence behind the Total Filling Station, Durulsalam area of Kpakungu in Minna.

Relatives are attributing the act to the determination of Steven to take over the ownership of his mother's private school where he is currently a manager.

They claimed that he had tried in several ways to harm his mother.

A relative of the deceased woman confirmed that she died at about 3 pm on Friday at the Minna General Hospital where she was admitted after the incident.

The relative said that Steven had been a drug addict for a long time and was in one of his drug-induced state when he committed the act.

The suspect was arrested by the G.R.A Police Division after he committed the act.