

prosecution by the police.

Inferno kills mother, 2 kids

AN early morning inferno which occurred last week in Ikotun, a suburb of Lagos, has claimed the lives of a mother and her two children.

The deceased identified as Mrs. Ojo, Richard and kofoworola Ojo, were said to have been burnt beyond recognition before the arrival of Fire service men and the police, as all efforts to rescue them proved abortive.

Though the immediate cause of the outbreak could not be ascertained at the time of filing the report, but conflicting reports have however been trailing the cause of

the incident, which occurred at about 6.00am on the ill fated day.

While a witness said it might have been caused by a candle lit by the victims the previous night while going to sleep as a result of power out, another claimed that ~~it was~~ triggered by a high voltage when power was restored by the Power holding Company of Nigeria (PHCN).

The police public relations officer, Lagos Command, Mr. Jinadu Samuel confirmed the incident in a release obtained in his office by our correspondent.

Jinadu, a Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP), said it took the combined effort of the policemen from Ikotun Police station and men of the Lagos State Fire and Safety Service to contained the inferno which could have caused more havoc.

He therefore counselled members of the public to always remain careful in handling all sources of light and switch off all electrical apparatus when not in use to avoid fluctuation that could trigger a fir outbreak.

The police image maker also confirmed that the root cause of the fire outbreak was yet to be known while the police have commenced investigation into the incident.

New area Lagos

Meiran which were hitherto under Area “G” command, Ogba.

Divisions such as Ikorodu, Shagamu Road, Ipakodo Owutu, Agobowa, Imota and Owode-Onirin which were hitherto under Area “H”command now form the divisions under Area “N” command.

With the creation of the new area commands, additional Assistants Commissioner of Police (ACP) have to be appointed either by promoting some of the Chief Superintendent of Police (CSP) that have been long overdue for promotion or posted some from other police formations to Area commanders to head the new commands.