

2 kids die in fire incident

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TWO young girls of the same mother but different fathers, Augustina Johnson (8) and Dorcas Jonathan (3) were suffocated to death at dawn on Sunday when a fire broke out in their mother's room at Araromi area of Ago Taylor, Ibadan.

Information reaching the Nigerian Tribune had it that the mother of the deceased children, Gloria Azebamua, informed the police that the fire started from a lit candle which was placed on a table in the room.

As the candle burnt out, it was said to have ignited the table and some papers,

with the smoke engulfing the room.

The children reportedly struggled to get out of the room but could not open the door which had been locked by their mother who went out the night before.

When questioned by the police, the woman confessed that she went to "hustle" and was given N4,000 for the night.

When contacted, the Police Public Relations Officer in Oyo State, Olabisi Okuwobi-Ilobanafor, said the mother of the deceased children had been arrested while the corpses of the children had been deposited at the State Hospital mortuary, Ring Road for autopsy.

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