Two children die in fire incident in Kano

TWO children have died following an early morning fire outbreak in a two-bedroom house at Sharada, Ja'en Yamma area in Kano metropolis on Monday.

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Spokesman of the state fire service, Alhaji Saidu Mohammed, told the *News Agen*- cy of Nigeria (NAN) in Kano that the victims were aged four and seven years.

He said: "We received a distress call in the early hours of Monday from one Malam Bello Tukur at about 2:09 a.m. that there was a fire outbreak at a house.

h: NAF to bury two pilots, crew today

(NAN) has reported.

The helicopter crashed while providing close air support to troops of 145 Battalion in Damasak, Borno.

NAF Director of Public Relations and Information, Air Commodore Ibikunle Daramola, announced this, on Monday, in Abuja.

He said the burial, which would be in full military honours, is scheduled to take place at the National Military Cemetery, Umaru Musa Yar'Adua Road, Abuja by 9.00 a.m.

"Upon receiving the information, we quickly dispatched a fire engine to the scene at about 2:15 a.m, to bring the fire under control," he said.

Mohammed said the parents of the children had run out of the house in search of help from neighbours when the fire started, but efforts made to retrieve the children were not successful.

He said, however, that the firemen later handed over the bodies of the two children to the police after putting out the fire, adding that investigation had commenced to determine the cause of the incident.