

Two killed, properties worth millions of naira destroyed by fire in Bauchi

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THE Directorate of Bauchi State Fire Services has confirmed the death of two people, while properties worth millions of Naira were destroyed in various fire incidents that occurred across the state in one year.

According to a report obtained from the fire service directorate, most of the fire incidents affected houses,

farms and vehicles at various locations across the state.

The statistics, obtained by the *Nigerian Tribune*, on Wednesday indicated that the report covered the period between June 2018 and June this year, which showed that one person was killed in October 2018, while another one died in April this year.

The report also indicated that properties estimated

at the sum of N948.025 million were destroyed within the period, just as properties saved were worth over N1 billion, while 147 lives were saved by men of the fire service.

Public Relations Officer (PRO), Bauchi State Fire Service, Abubakar Bala, while speaking, said that the fire disasters were caused by electrical faults, overloading of electri-

cal appliances and uncontrolled bush burning, among others.

"I advise residents to always use quality electrical cables for all their wirings and ensure that all electronics and other appliances are switched off when not used, particularly when there is no one in the house to raise the alarm in case of any electrical issues," he said.