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Fire claims 3 lives, consume 100 shops in Kano

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HE Kano State Fire Service has confirmed that three persons lost their lives following an early morning inferno on Friday, in Badume Market, Bichi

Local Government Area of fire. the state

The Public Relations Officer of the service, Alhaji Saminu Abdullahi, who disclosed this through a statement on Saturday, also added that 100 temporary shops were also destroyed by the

"Although their names are vet to be confirmed, the victims are one female, about 35 years old; a cripple male, about 30 years old and a male teenager of about 18 years," he said.

According to him, "We

received an emergency call from Bichi Fire Station at about 03:30 a.m from one Ibrahim Tsalha that there was a fire outbreak at the market and we mmediately sent our rescue team to the scene at about 03:35a.m to stop the fire from spreading

to other shops.

"Our men evacuated three unconscious bodies which were later confirmed dead and the corpses were handed over to Inspector Mukaila Inusa of Bichi police division."

Abdullahi further disclosed that the service has already initiated an investigation into the cause of the fire.

He called on members of the public to always make sure they switch off all electrical appliances and disconnect them from the source when not in use and handle fire with care