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# Police investigate mysterious death of six family members

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The Enugu State Police Command on Tuesday said it was working with the University of Nigeria Teaching Hospital, Ituku -Ozalla to establish the mysterious death of six members of the Aka family after a rice meal on Saturday night.

It added that a part of the food which the family consumed had been sent to the hospital for forensic analysis while detectives were pursuing other avenues of investigations.

The Police Commissioner, Enugu State Command, Suleiman Fakai also said that his command was at a loss over the incident.

He also said that the command was working on the theory of food poisoning and the fact that the victims might have been exposed to other poisonous substances.

The incident, which took place on Saturday night left three members of the family critically ill at the Catholic-owned Ntasi-Obi General Hospital, Trans-Ekulu, Enugu.

Fakai, who spoke while parading seven suspected armed robbers on Tuesday confirmed the death of the pregnant wife of Mrs. Agatha Aka, her two children Mmesoma and Chinemerem aged three and two respectively and Onyinyechi Ugwu, the sister in-law to Williams.

But Williams, his only son, Ugonna and the sister in-law Ujunwa Ugwu are lying critically ill at the Ntasi-Obi hospital, where doctors are still battling to save their lives.

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