

Wife kills self, husband, three children in Makurdi

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The Police Command in Benue has confirmed the killing of a man and his three children by his wife, who also took her life.

“The man, Mr Nicholas Adetsav, a staff of Makurdi Local Government Council, and his children, were killed on Friday night in Makurdi. His wife, who we believe is responsible for the death of the quartet, also killed herself.

“From the information available to us, the woman has been having issues with her husband which might have culminated into this,” Mr Moses Yamu, the command’s spokesman, told the *News Agency Of Nigeria*, on Saturday in Makurdi.

Yamu said that the couple, who lived at Vandeikya street, were both staff of Makurdi Local Government Council.

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“They have been having issues. Just yesterday (Friday), the woman was seen with a pestle trying to smash her husband’s car. No one knows the cause of their frequent fights.”

He said that when police went to their house, they found the man foaming in the mouth, the three kids already dead, while the woman, who was also dead, was found holding a knife in her hand.

“The incident happened around 8:30pm on Friday; from what we have gathered, the couple fight on daily basis,” he told *NAN*.

Yamu said that police is investigating the incident. The corpses had been deposited at the St. Theresa’s Catholic Hospital, Makurdi.

The Chairman, Makurdi Local Government Council, Mrs. Akange Audu, confirmed that the couple were employees of the local government council.

“The husband worked in the Department of Finance while his wife worked with the Department of Agriculture,” she said.