

# Couple, grandson die in Ibadan fire

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Fire outbreak

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A fire incident has claimed the lives of a husband, his wife, and their grandson in the Ori-Eru, Idikan area of Ibadan, Oyo State.

The tragedy, which affected a storey building, occurred in the early hours of Friday, according to the News Agency of Nigeria.

The General Manager of the Oyo State Fire Services Agency, Yemi Akinyinka, disclosed this in a statement released on Friday in Ibadan.

He disclosed that the agency received a distress call about the fire at 3:46 am on Friday from one Hassan and immediately deployed personnel to the scene.

“On arrival, we found the upper floor of a six-room residential storey building engulfed in flames. We swiftly swung into action, and the fire was completely extinguished,” Akinyinka said.

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Akinyinka confirmed that three people — a husband, his wife, and their grandson — lost their lives in the fire, while five others were rescued alive from the building.

He added that the ground floor and nearby properties were saved from the inferno.

“From our investigation, we discovered that in their attempt to keep their house warm due to the cold weather, they resorted to using a naked flame, which led to the fire disaster after they had fallen asleep,” he explained.

The general manager also noted that a team of policemen, led by CSP Olaniyan Jibola from Mapo Division, and operatives of Amotekun, led by Gbenga Akinyemi from the North West Division, were on the scene to maintain law and order.