Three die, one hospitalised after consuming poisoned food in Katsina

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Four people, including three children, have died from suspected food poisoning in the Magama Jibia area of Katsina State.

PUNCH Metro learnt this from a statement by security and counter-insurgency expert, Zagazola Makama, posted on X.com on Thursday.

According to him, the deceased victims include Hussaina Ayuba, Ahmed Ayuba, and Nana Ayuba.

He stated that they were rushed to Jibia General Hospital after consuming spaghetti.

They, however, passed away while receiving treatment at the hospital.

The security expert further stated that a 12-year-old girl, Hafsat Ayuba, was undergoing treatment and recuperating under medical care.

He added that the perpetrator of the act was arrested alongside two other suspects.

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"The victims were Hussaina Ayuba, Ahmed Ayuba, and Nana Ayuba, who died while receiving treatment at Jibia General Hospital after allegedly consuming poisoned food.

"A fourth victim, Hafsat Ayuba, 12, is currently recuperating and still under medical care.

"The sources disclosed that a 20-year-old woman, Fatima Abdulkadir, who prepared the spaghetti noodles allegedly consumed by the victims, along with two others, has been arrested in connection with the incident," he wrote.

He further stated that the police had visited the scene.

"The bodies of the deceased have been released to their relatives for burial according to Islamic rites. An investigation is ongoing," he concluded.

When contacted by *PUNCH Metro*, the state Police Public Relations Officer, Abubakar Aliyu, requested a text message. The text sent to him had yet to be replied to as of the time this report was filed.