

Kerosene explosion kills 2 in Port Harcourt

From **Tony John**, Port Harcourt

TWO persons were yesterday feared dead and property worth thousands of naira destroyed, when fire engulfed shanties at Road One, Orazi, Mile 4, Port Harcourt, in Obio/Akpor Local Government Area of Rivers State.

Relatives of victims of the incident said the fire started when the victims tried to refill a cooking stove.

Meanwhile, an eyewitness said fire fighters and police did not respond to the calls during the explosion.

According to Emmanuel Udom, number of casualties would have increased if not for the grace of God, adding that the people were helpless and confused on what to do during the fire outbreak.

He appealed to Governor Nyesom Wike to come to their aide, lamenting they lost their property in the inferno.

Details of the deceased could not be ascertained at the time of filing this report.

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