

Man, daughters burnt to death

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LAGOS—TRAGEDY struck yesterday night at Makoko, Yaba area of Lagos State, after a man and his two daughters were burnt to death in a fire that gutted their apartment.

The fire was said to have occurred following an explosion from a power generating set in the deceased bungalow building at number 28 Igbeyinadu street, Makoko at about 10pm. Report said the man whose name was given as Togunde had finished refueling his power generating set, when his wife came in with a rag to clean the drop of fuel on the floor.

She was said to have gone with a lantern because vision

was blurred as a result of power outage.

An explosion which rocked the entire vicinity reportedly occurred, leading to an inferno that engulfed the whole apartment. Mr Tongunde was said to have made for his two daughters who were at that time fast asleep in the room. Unfortunately, he could not as he was reportedly choked by thick smoke. His wife on the other hand, was saved by a sympathiser.

Effort to put out the raging fire proved abortive, as it reportedly engulfed the whole building comprising over ten rooms.

The charred remains of Mr Togunde and his two daughters named Hannah and Esther, were reportedly deposited at the mortuary.