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Two children burnt to death, as jilted mother goes after lover

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Jos—Two children, aged four and two, lost their lives in a fire that gutted their apartment at Kabong area of Jos North Local Government Area of Plateau State.

The kids were said to have been locked in a room by their mother, Talatu, a local beer seller in the area, who allegedly left them for an unknown destination till **2a.m. on Monday**, when she returned to find her apartment burnt.

The mother of the deceased children could not be reached at press time, but a neighbour who did not want to be named, described the incident as sad.

The neighbour said: “Talatu abandoned the children in her room and went to confront her fiancée, who had suddenly picked another lady to marry.

“She lit a candle before leaving. But before she returned, the candle had burnt low and lit the mattress. The children got burnt without anyone knowing.”

One of the children died in the inferno, while the other who was rushed to the hospital also gave up the ghost.

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