



## 17-year-old burnt to death as Lagos records 14 fire outbreaks

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**LAGOS**—A 17-year-old girl, identified as Miss Sefinatu Arowofela, was burnt to death in a fire disaster that engulfed a two-storey building in Allen Avenue, Ikeja Local Government, Lagos, even as 14 fire disasters were recorded in the State on Wednesday.

*Vanguard* gathered that the fire started ragging in the building located at 11 Ladipo Kuku Street, behind the popular Oshopey Plaza, Allen Avenue at about 7:45pm on Wednesday from the deceased's parent's three bedroom apartment.

Sources said that the late Sefinatu was a physically challenged person and was resting when the fire started in the apartment.

It was learned that the effort of the official of the Lagos State Fire Service helped in curtailing the fire from extending to other flats in the building.

Confirming the incident, Mr. Rasak Fadipe, of the state fire service, lamented that the call came late, noting "a woman was found dead in the building after the fire was put out."

Explaining how the fire was curtailed, Fadipe said: "We met the fire well alight. We could not get to the flat through the staircase because it was smoke-locked. We had to break the window to gain entrance to the flat. Through this, we were able to put out the fire."

He noted that 14 fire disasters were recorded on Wednesday, saying "in fact, we are battling with fires in different axis of the state."