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## As 3 family members die in sleep in Ebonyi

## Content of pot of soup collected for forensic analysis — Police

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THE rustic Ngwongwo community in Ishiagu, Ivo Local Government Area of Ebonyi State was thrown into mourning, yesterday, as three family members reportedly died in their sleep.

The names of the deceased were given as Chinonso Udigwe, Ikedi Okorie and Emperor Kalu. Also, a truck driver who was

found in a separate room lying

critically ill was rushed to hospital for medical examination and attention.

Confirming the development, the state Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Loveth Odah, noted that the Divisional Police Officer in charge of Ivo Local Government Area rushed to the scene to evacuate the victims to Hospital where they were confirmed dead by a medical doctor.

She added that their remains

had been deposited in a mortuary for autopsy while a sample from a pot of soup that was found in the room where the incident occurred, a can of beta malt and generator had been taken for forensic analyses.

"They were taken to the hospital. On getting to the general hospital in the area, the three were confirmed dead while the truck driver was still conscious. The corpses of the

deceased had been deposited in the mortuary for autopsy.

"Policemen noticed a pot of soup and collected a little of it for forensic analysis. A generator was also noticed and also a beta malt can and the policemen collected all that to unravel the cause of death."

According to her, the Commissioner of Police in the state has ordered full-scale investigation into the matter to unravel the cause of death of the victims.

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