



Lightning Kills Three

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A three-year-OLD girl, her mother and their neighbour were on Tuesday killed by lightning while weeding tobacco fields at a farm in Bindura.

This brings to seven the number of people killed by lightning in Mashonaland Central since the beginning of the rainy season.

Mashonaland Central police spokesperson Inspector Michael Munyikwa yesterday named the three as Tsitsi Ruwisi (24), her daughter Perstuedy (3) and their neighbour Stanford Kaseke (24).

Insp Munyikwa said Ruwisi was weeding a tobacco field with her daughter while Kaseke was in his field when it started raining.

Ruwisi and her daughter rushed to seek shelter in a thatched shade in one of the fields where Kaseke and Mr Peter Dzaramba later joined them.

After some minutes, lightning killed the three instantly while Mr Dzaramba escaped unhurt.

A report was made at Mutepatepa Police Post.

Lightning last month killed two people in Goromonzi and 23 cattle in Featherstone. -- HR.

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