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South Africa

Two women, toddler struck down by lightning

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Two women and a two-year-old toddler were killed on Thursday morning when their rondavel was struck by lightning at Mpanzakazi in Hlabisa near Mtubatuba in KwaZulu-Natal.

Police Captain Tienkie van Vuuren said the incident happened during heavy thunderstorms in the early hours of Thursday morning.

"The rondavel where Xolisile Zolo Mkhize, 42, Nkulunga Hlela, 16, and Lundi Vilalakazi, two, were sleeping was instantly burnt to ashes.

"Police are still to establish whether the deceased were related or not. An inquest docket has been opened," said Van Vuuren. - Sapa

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