Lightning kills 2 sisters [Zambia]

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TWO girls from the same family died instantly while the third one sustained serious burns on the chest after lightning struck them in Chadiza district.

The girls who died have been identified as Sonet Phiri, five and her seven-year-old sister Vere.

Grandfather of the girls, Whyson Phiri, said Lena aged 12, survived with serious burns on her chest in the incident which occurred on Monday evening.

Lena has since been admitted to Taferansoni Rural Health Centre where she is receiving treatment.

The girls were struck by lightning around 19:00 hours after some light rain.

Mr Phiri said he was surprised that the thatched hut in which the three girls were, did not catch fire though the victims were severely burnt.— **ZANIS**