

## 12 school boys died as hostel catches fire



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In a tragic incident that sends shockwave across the country at least 12 school children died, several others injured when a private hostel in Arunachal Pradesh caught fire on Wednesday.

According to information, the devastating fire broke out around midnight at a hostel built with bamboo and hay at Palin in Kurung Kummpy district, 260 km north of Itanagar. The authorities have already evacuated 8 severely injured school boys before being airlifted to hospitals in Itanagar. Twelve bodies were found.

The privately hostel had 62 students of a local branch of the Don Bosco school. Reason has yet to be ascertained. But initial report suggested it an accidental fire as students were studying under candle light.



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