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Two people death after eating poisonous fish in Western Province

Officers of the Royal Solomon Island Police Force (RSIPF) at Gizo police station in Western province are causing an inquiry in to the death of two people after eating poisonous fish at Niutakwa village in Kolobangara Island on 12 June 2021.

Commissioner of Police Mostyn Mangau says, “There were fourteen people taken to Ringi clinic for medical attention after eating the poison fish (Balloon fish). An adult female in her 30s and an 8-year-old child lose their lives upon arrival at Ringi clinic.”

Commissioner Mangau says, “Other twelve children of ages between 8 – 12-years-old were urgently transported to Gizo Referral Hospitals for further treatments and later recovered.”

Mangau says, “Police and medical officers at Ringi respond to the report and an inquiry file was open for further police investigation to ascertain the cause of death.”

“My condolence to the family members for that sad situation during this time of bereavement.”

“I appeal to my good people at Kolobangara Island, especially those people at Niutakwa village to assist police with information. You can call Gizo Police Station on phone 60999,” says Commissioner Mangau.

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