

Four members of same family among 25 dead in fire

Four members of the same family on their first holiday to Goa were among 25 killed in a deadly fire at a nightclub in the popular Indian tourist state last Saturday night.

The blaze broke out just before midnight at Birch by Romeo Lane, a restaurant and nightclub in north Goa's Arpora district.

Most guests inside the venue were able to escape but five tourists and 20 members of staff - mostly working in the kitchen - were killed.

Officials said the venue had contravened multiple safety regulations and that the basement had no fire exit.