

Suspect caught in connection to fatal Jiangsu house fire

Police in east China's Jiangsu Province said they have arrested a suspect for alleged arson after a fire engulfed a house that claimed 22 lives Sunday morning.

The suspect, surnamed Jiang, was in police custody. Local police gave no further information on the suspect.

The fire broke out at around 4:29 a.m. in a two-story residential house in Yushan Town in Changshu City, leaving 22 people dead and another three injured. The three face no life-threatening injuries.

A total of 24 disaster-relief teams have been set up to offer legal and mental support for the families and relatives of the victims.

The fire was put out at 5:28 a.m. Further investigation into the cause of the accident is under way.