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2 die cleaning borehole in Rivers

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FACTS emerged weekend, as to what led to the death of two middle-aged men identified as Uche and Alloy died in a well at Rumuagholu Community in Obio/Akpor Local Government Area of Rivers State.

Checks available to Daily Champion reveals that the number of victims would have been three, but for the arrival of a team of fire service men who rescue the third person whose identity could not ascertained at the time of fling this report.

A senior police officer attached to the Rumuokoro Police Station who spoke to our correspondent on condition of anonymity confirmed the incident, describing it as sudden and unnatural as the victims were strapped in sludge mud.

The police source also disclosed that the owner of the well who is being questioned by the security outfit had been released as nothing complicit was established against her.

Our correspondent who visited the community at the weekend reports that residents were still apprehensive over

the death which occurred last Tuesday, even as the well had been covered with the ladder the victims might have used to climb down the well before they met their untimely death.

One eye witness who did not want his name in print said that the men (deceased) had earlier used a pumping machine to drain the water before entering to clean it up and suspected that the generating set used in powering the pumping machine could have emitted smoke that choked Uche who suddenly slumped and collapsed in the well.