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## 2 47-yr-old civil servant killed by lightning

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A 47-year-old civil servant, Salami Adekunle, was yesterday struck to death by lightning in Oro, Kwara State.

The deceased was, until his demise, a staff of the Registry Department of the College of Education, Oro, in Irepodun local government area of the state.

The deceased was said to be leaving the institution's examination office for the Registry Department at about 10a.m. when the incident happened during a downpour.

The lifeless body of the deceased,

who a source disclosed hailed from Ilesa in Osun State, was sighted lying at the spot of the incident preparatory to spiritual cleansing.

The institution's Public Relations Officer, Mr Adesola Adewoye, confirmed the incident, saying, "The staff and management swung into action immediately the deceased was struck, but all our efforts to resuscitate him proved abortive."

Adewoye described the deceased as an easy-going, loyal and dedicated staff who will stop at nothing to impress his employer.

Staff members of the institution

were seen in group discussing the tragedy when our correspondent visited the scene of the incident.

Some traditional religion worshippers were said to have later performed some rites on the corpse of the deceased before it was taken away for burial.

Consoling the institution and entire Oro community over the incident, Mathew Babaoye, the member representing Irepodun local government in the state House of Assembly, who visited the scene, expressed shock and prayed for the repose of the soul of the deceased.