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## 15-year-old boy drowns to death at Challawa

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A 15-year-old boy, identified as Auwal Umar, has drowned in a pond at Madobi road by Challawa in Kumbotso Local Government Area of Kano State.

Chronicle gathered that Umar was bathing when he slipped into a deeper part of the pond and drowned to death. The Public Relations Officer, Kano State Fire Service, Malam SaiduMohammed, who confirmed the incident in a statement issued yesterday, said the body of the victim was found floating in the pond around 2:25pm on Monday which suggested that the 15-year-old boy might have died the penultimate day.

Mohammed however said the incident happened on Monday

afternoon when the 15-year-old deceased went to take his bath.

He said: "We received a distress call on Monday afternoon from one Malam Aminu Uba, at about 2:25p.m., that Umar's body was found floating in the pond,

he said on receiving the information, command quickly mobilised its rescue team to the scene at about 2:40pm where the lifeless

body of the victim was recovered.

He said the corpse of deceased had been handed over to the village head of Gaida, Alhaji Abubakar Khaleel.

He therefore advised parents to always ensure that they monitor their wards and also stop them from going to take bath at a ponds or rivers alone in order to avoid similar unforeseen circumstances.

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