Father, Son Suffocate Inside Kano Well



Iron bucket with water well

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A 60-year-old man, Malam Bala and his son, Sunusi Bala, 35, have suffocated inside a well at Sabon Garin Bauchi in Wudil Local Government Area of Kano State.

According to the Public Relations Officer of the Kano State Fire Service), Saminu Abdullahi, the incident happened on Wednesday after the duo were invited to drain a well but got trapped and suffocated inside the well.

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According to him, the father and his son had successfully drained the well, but the son suffocated inside which forced the father to attempt to rescue him, but unfortunately he also got trapped.

He said, "We received an emergency call from Wudil fire station at about 11:30 am from one Isma'ila Idris that two men had been trapped inside a well and immediately sent our rescue team to the scene at about 11:33 am

"A father and son were called to drain a well. They successfully drained the well, Bala went inside the well to clear it when he was trapped and suffocated.

"His father went after him to rescue him when he also got trapped and suffocated due to the lack of oxygen inside the well," he said.

Abdullahi said the victims were, however, brought out of the well and later confirmed dead while their corpses were handed over to Inspector Felix Gowok of Wudil model police station.

He said the cause of the incident was due to lack of oxygen and dry well.