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Our correspondent gathered that the boy, an apprentice barber, was a recent secondary school leaver.

Locals said the boy, simply identified as Dimeji, was caught up in a gully around St Anthony Primary School, Igbeba, after a torrential rainfall.

Witnesses said Dimeji slipped while navigating across the canal through a plank, which was already overtaken by the flood.

A viral video circulating on Saturday showed the victim's corpse being retrieved from the gully.

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Confirming the incident, one of the residents said, “What you saw in the video is true. What happened was that he followed his friend to take a motorcycle. While the friend went away on the bike, he mistakenly put his leg into the water, thinking that he was stepping on the plank; that was how he was swept away.”

When contacted, the police spokesman in the state, Omolola Odutola said, “I have not heard of the incident.”