11-year-old almajirai drowns in FCT river

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An 11-year-old Almajiri, Ibrahim Kabir, has reportedly drowned in a river at Gada-Buyi in Kwali Area-Council of the FCT.

City & Crime reports that the Gada-Buyi community is located on the Abuja-Lokoja highway.

A resident of the area, Usman Aliyu, said the incident happened

on Monday around 2pm when the deceased joined two of his age mates who are also Almajiris to swim in the river.

He said the boy jumped from the overhead bridge into the river and hit his head on a log of wood inside the river and he could come out again.

He said it was a middle-aged man who was bathing at the river bank who noticed that he could not come out again and he went to alert some residents.

He said, "They were three who went to the river to swim and when one of the boys jumped from the top of the bridge into the river, he did not come out again, until when a man who was bathing noticed that, drew attention of some fishermen who later dived into the river and brought him out."