

# Palm Tree Kills 40-Year-Old Farmer In Ogun



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**A 40-year-old farmer, Abdullahi Rasaki, has died after a palm tree fell on him in Bogije village, Ijebu Igbo area of Ogun State.**

The incident happened at about 3:30 pm on Sunday.

Rasaki, alongside one Waheed Abbass, went to the Egbe Semi Jeje area of OkeSopen, Ijebu Igbo, to cut palm trees when one of the trees accidentally fell on him.

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Police spokesman in the state, Omolola Odutola, confirmed the incident on Monday, saying the neighbours in the vicinity rushed the victim to the General Hospital, Sagamu, where he was confirmed dead on arrival.

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Odutola said, “The incident was reported to the police at about 9:30pm by Gbamila Sunday of Bogije, Atikori, Ijebu Igbo. According to his report, the deceased, identified as Abdullahi Rasaki (40), had gone alongside one Waheed Abbass to the Egbe Semi Jeje area of OkeSopen, Ijebu Igbo to cut palm trees when one of the trees accidentally fell on him.

“Abdullahi screamed in pain for help, and neighbours in the vicinity rushed to his aid, where they removed the tree, and immediately took him to General Hospital, Sagamu, for treatment.

“Unfortunately, he was confirmed dead by a medical doctor upon arrival at the hospital, suspecting the heavy tree landed on a part of his body.”

Odutola noted that his corpse had been deposited at the hospital morgue for preservation and autopsy, adding that investigation is ongoing to determine the full circumstances surrounding the incident.

However, the command, while extending its condolences to the family of the deceased, urged residents to take necessary precautions while engaging in tree falling and farming activities to avoid similar tragedy.