

Four Miners Killed As Sandpit Collapses In Plateau



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At least four miners were killed after a sandpit collapsed on them at a mining site in Dura community, Jos South Local Government Area of Plateau State.

According to eyewitness accounts, the incident occurred on Thursday night when the ground caved in on the four individuals working in the pit.

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Solomon Dung, an aide to governor Caleb Mutfwang on Artisanal Mining, confirmed the incident, explaining that “It happened yesterday at Dura community. From what I was told, some boys were working in a mining pit, suddenly the ground just collapsed on four of them. Three died instantly, and one other person was taken to the hospital, and unfortunately, he also later died. I am just going to the community as I speak to you.”

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A resident, Chuwang Davou, who also confirmed the incident to newsmen in Jos on Friday, said, “Yes, we have a tragic situation in Dura community. A mining site collapsed last night. I don’t know the casualty figure, but I can confirm to you that some people were inside the pit when the incident occurred.”

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