

One Dead, Three Injured As Cocoa House Elevator Crashes



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26 storey Cocoa house, Ibadan, Oyo state

One person has reportedly died and three others seriously injured on Wednesday as one of the Cocoa House elevators crashed while some technicians were working on it.

Cocoa House is Headquarters of Odua Conglomerate own by all the south west states.

It was gathered that the faulty elevator collapsed while about four technicians were working to restore it for the use of staff members of Odua Investment Company Limited and other Cocoa House tenants, killing one person instantly.

Two other persons broke their arms while another person broke his legs during the accident. They have been taken to hospital for immediate medical attention.

Narrating the incident in a statement, the Head, Corporate Affairs of Odua Investment, Victor Ayetoro said the accident happened around 11:00am on Wednesday.

According to the statement, “at around 11am this morning, the lift installation team from our contractor handling the lift and who were working on dismantling the old lift in readiness for a new lift instalment.

“While working on the lift suffered a mechanical failure. The said failure resulted in the lift car dropping and crashing into the basement pit.

Unfortunately, one of the technicians in the team did not survive the incident.

“Three other technicians suffered minor injuries and have been taken to the hospital for check up/treatment.

“The head office of the company has been informed and their representatives have arrived to take charge of the situation while the Police have also been informed”.