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'Confab Is A Huge Success'

The just concluded national conference has succeeded in tackling issues affecting the country, fostering unity among all Nigerians, Sen Ibrahim Muhammad Idris has said.

Speaking with newsmen in Katsina yesterday, Senator Idris, a member of the Confab, said delegates to the conference were able to thoroughly discuss issues and come up with common consensus.

Idris, who was one time senate committee chairman on defence, said the success of the conference was contrary to expectations of Nigerians, because of the belief that it was organised to achieve a hidden agenda.

He said although delegates from states, federal government, civil societies and religious bodies came to the conference with different agendas, however they resolved their differences and the issues were tackled, in the general interest of the nation.

By Muazu Elazeh, Katsina

Mechanic Electrocuted To Death

There was pandemonium in Iyana Era, in Ijanikin area of Lagos State when a man was electrocuted by a falling electric wire.

LEADERSHIP Weekend investigation revealed that a mechanic was repairing a car when a high voltage wire belonging to the Power Holding Company Of Nigeria (PHCN) fell on him.

An eyewitness, Joshua disclosed that when people noticed that the high tension wire fell, everyone around took to their heels, adding that some people even left their husbands or wives behind as they ran for their lives.

He said he and others who had witnessed the incident had to deter people from running towards the scene.

Joshua said he nearly became a victim because he was close to the spot where the mechanic was killed.

Confirming the story to LEADERSHIP Weekend, the Lagos State police public relations officer, DSP Ngozi Braide said the incident occurred on July 27, 2014, around 3pm at a mechanic workshop.

She said the victim, Lukman Ayinla was under the bus trying to effect repairs when the high voltage wire fell on the vehicle and he was electrocuted.

Braide said his corpse has been deposited at Badagry General Hospital mortuary for an autopsy.

By Matthew Dike, Lagos