

Gas Explosion Kills One, Injures 6 In Anambra

One person was declared dead while six others were reportedly injured in a gas cylinder explosion at the plumbing market along Uga Street near the Onitsha Bridge Head Market in Anambra State on Friday, police said yesterday.

Police spokesman SP Tochukwu Ikenga said yesterday that the incident occurred while a welder was working on metal with carbide.

He said, "Police operatives attached to the Onitsha Head Bridge Divisional Police Headquarters on the 16th of May 2025 complemented the rescue efforts by good-spirited individuals on the six victims of a gas cylinder explosion at a plumbing market, along Uga Street, which regrettably recorded one death."

"Preliminary information revealed that the welding gas cylinder exploded as the welder was working on a metal due to exposure to excess heat."

"Six victims rescued from the incident are currently receiving treatment in the hospital, while the deceased has been deposited in a morgue."