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A man, 30, identified as Ojo Oluremi, has been electrocuted in Odo Aremu, Ado-Ekiti, the Ekiti State capital.

Oluremi, an electrician, of 16 Odo Aremu Street, was reportedly electrocuted when he was reconnecting an electric cable for a neighbour at 7.30pm.

The cable had been disconnected by officials of Power Holding Company (PHCN). An eyewitness said Oluremi, who just had a baby, suggested doing the job the following day because it was already dark.

But some of his friends reportedly insisted that the repairs must be done that night to enable them watch a football match.

A neighbour, identified as Eyinafe, said she was outside the building when she heard a fall, followed by a noise inside.

She said she could not enter the room because the back door to where she was washing clothes was locked.

Eyinafe said when she got inside, she found Oluremi lying on the floor. In the attempt to revive him, those around him had doused him with water, she said.

Another eyewitness said the electrician was rushed to a nearby private hospital. There, a doctor advised that he should be taken to the State University Teaching Hospital, where he was confirmed dead.

The eyewitness said: "We brought him back and we were inside the house with him when he woke up again after about two hours. We gave him liquid milk and rushed him back to the state hospital. But before we got there, he died again."

It was learnt that the matter was not reported to the police because the neighbours said it would be a wasted of time.