

Kids, teenager, octogenarian die in disasters

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Four persons yesterday died in various disasters across Lagos State.

A 10-year-old girl Miss Eniola Shodipe drowned in a well at Atanda Street in Mafoluku, Oshodi.

An infant – Isaiah Bamidele was recovered dead after a 17-passenger boat accident occurred around Odo-Isitu, Egan, a Lagos suburb.

Another 16-year-old boy, as well as an octogenarian, were consumed in separate fire that occurred at Lekki and Ojo.

Miss Shodipe, who was said to have visited some relatives to spend the long vacation, fell in the well while playing with other kids.

The incident, which occurred at about 2pm threw the neighbours into panic.

Many struggled to rescue her but were unsuccessful because the wood used to cover the well fell on her

Though, the well was not very deep, the teenager passed on before she was recovered.

Six-year-old Bamidele was the only casualty in the boat accident that occurred around 1:20pm.

The Nation learnt that the boat had colluded with another one coming from Totowu. Bamidele fell inside the water.

He was recovered dead by local divers and handed over to his family who buried him immediately.

The 16-year-old boy died in a fire outbreak at 35c, Ajiran Road, Agungi, Lekki; the 86-year-old woman died in a separate fire outbreak at the weekend.

Confirming the incidents, the director, Lagos State Fire Service, Rasaq Fadipe said the old woman's building of 10 rooms on Dickson Adebayo Street, Iba New Site, Ojo, was consumed in the inferno.

Zonal Coordinator, National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) Dr Onimode Bandele urged residents to be safety conscious.

He appealed to boat operators to embrace the use of safety jackets and ensure their passengers comply.



Bandele hailed the local divers for their prompt response in savings the victims, noting that more lives would have been lost if not for their swift intervention.

