



Four-year-old twin dead, two injured as building collapses on Lagos Island

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A four year-old twin, Kehinde Ogundairo, died on Monday night when a building collapsed at Agarawu, Lagos Island.

Two year-old Basit Raji and her grandmother, Silifatu Raji, were injured.

The three-storey building at 3, Hassan Lane, off Agarawu Street, Lagos Island, collapsed around 10pm on Monday on another building behind it.

The Nation learnt that the building was among those marked for demolition by the Lagos State Government.

It was gathered that Lagos State Building Control Agency (LASBCA) officials cordoned off the area yesterday morning.

The Nation learnt that the late Kehinde's twin brother died about three years ago. Basit is receiving treatment at the Massey Children's Hospital on Lagos Island. She sustained injuries in the eyes and chest. Her mother is said to be late. Her grandmother, Silifatu, who was also injured, was rushed to the hospital too, but was discharged yesterday.

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LASBCA, in a statement on Tuesday, said a building partially collapsed at 54, Palm Church Street, Agarawu, Lagos Island.

The General Manager, Lekan Shodeinde, an engineer, said the incident occurred at about 11pm on Monday.

He said the structure was one of the buildings already marked for demolition.

Shodeinde said the government regretted the incident and would intensify efforts to sanitise the building industry by removing distressed illegal structures, building prone to collapse and buildings that were not in conformity with the building laws.

The mother of the late Kehinde, Iyabo Adeosun, said although they had been instructed to leave the house, they could not because they did not have money to rent another



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