

# 'Vandal' electrocuted, two held on Second Niger Bridge

**A** SUSPECTED cable thief was at the early hours of yesterday electrocuted at a transformer in Amawbia community, Awka South Local Government Area of Anambra State.

The deceased was said to have stormed the area with members of his gang to vandalise electrical wire installations at the transformer in front of a hotel when the incident happened.

A resident, Eric Okonkwo, said the suspects had taken advantage of the 4-day power outage that affected the state capital to carry out the act.

He said the deceased was however unlucky as light was restored by Enugu Electrical Distribution Company (EEDC) around midnight while he was disconnecting the cables.

"Luck ran out on one of them who was disconnecting the wires when EEDC suddenly re-

**From Nwanosike Onu,  
Awka and Emma Elekwa,  
Onitsha**

stored power at about 12 midnight and he was electrocuted.

## 12 die, six injured in Kogi auto crash

**T** WELVE people were yesterday confirmed dead and six others injured in a road traffic accident that occurred along Obajana-Lokoja Expressway.

The Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) confirmed the death toll in a statement by the Corps Public Education Officer, ACM Bisi Kazeem.

The accident which occurred around 10:30pm on Sunday at Line 3, Obajana Cement Factory, involved a Toyota Hiace Bus with reg-

"Immediately his gang discovered their colleague had been electrocuted, they abandoned him and fled with the wires they had already vandalised," Okonkwo said.

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istration number MKA515ZD and a Sono Truck.

According to Kazeem, the cause of the fatal crash was speed limit violation, which led to loss of control.

Quoting the Corps Marshal, FRSC, Dauda Biu, Kazeem said motorists including fleet, commercial and private operators must adhere to stipulated speed limits on all roads in order to eradicate all incidences of mishap resulting from speed violation.