

Construction worker dies in Lagos building collapse

• Man lynched

A 45-YEAR-OLD labourer, Nwanneka Ogbonaya, has lost his life after a portion of an old building under demolition suddenly collapsed on him in Opebi, Ikeja, Lagos.

According to a report at the Ikeja Police Division, the accident occurred around 4:30 p.m.

Ogbonaya, who was working at the site when the blocks from the structure caved in, sustained severe body injuries and lost consciousness.

He was rushed to the Lagos State University Teaching Hospital (LASUTH), where he was pronounced dead by the attending doctor.

The deceased's family was notified of the incident, and despite professional advice from the police and medical experts to conduct a proper autopsy, they have insisted on taking his body to their hometown for burial.

The Lagos State Police Command has launched an investigation into the matter.

Also, a man identified as Monday was lynched by some individuals, after being accused of cable theft.

According to police reports,

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the incident happened around 3 a.m. on September 29. The deceased was reportedly tied with a copper wire around his neck and strangled by one suspect identified as "AY" and several others who are at large. The attackers were said to have beaten the victim severely before he succumbed to his injuries.

The victim was accused of stealing electrical cables in the area. It was learned that he was beaten into unconsciousness by a mob and died shortly after.

The police, acting on the information, have launched an investigation into the murder, with two suspects, Samuel Lamak, 33, and Akeem Ahmed, 40, arrested.

Officers from the Alausa Division responded to the report and visited the scene for further investigation. The body of the deceased was later recovered and taken to the Mainland General Hospital morgue in Yaba for preservation and autopsy.

The Police have assured the public that efforts were being made to apprehend other individuals, including the primary suspect, "AY."