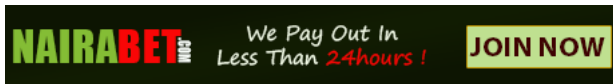


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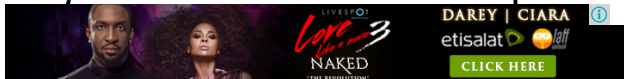
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Tragedy struck at the weekend, in Jatau community of Maitumbi Bosso Local Government of Niger State, following the electrocution of an Inspector of Police, Mallam Abu Gani, who was also the village head of Jatau, alongside two others. Nigerian Tribune gathered that the incident occurred at about 3:48 a.m last Saturday, as the mysterious fire burnt down two houses after a spark from high tension cables that passed through their residence, which was near an FM Radio Station. According to an eyewitness, the deceased police officer was said to have been at the scene to save lives shortly after he allegedly received a distress call. He went straight to see what was going on there, according to a source, but was trapped in the inferno. The source, who craved anonymity, in a brief chat with the Nigerian Tribune, said the deceased Inspector of Police was, until the time of his untimely death, the Inspector in charge of crimes, attached to Maitumbi police station. According to the source, the village head (Mai- Angwa) and one of his sons were the first victims after which a friend to his son who raced to the scene, with intent to save his friend, was also caught in the inferno before the arrival of policemen. Meanwhile, when contacted over the incident, the Police Public Relations Officer, Niger State police command, ASP Bala Elkana, said three persons were killed on the spot in the inferno, including an Inspector of Police, while two houses got burnt from the spark from a high tension electricity cable. Elkana, in a brief interview with the Nigerian Tribune, said the corpses had been deposited at the mortuary section of the General Hospital, Minna, on Saturday evening, while investigation into the immediate and remote cause of the incident was still ongoing.

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