



Massive construction site opposite the British Village, Mississippi Street, Maitama, Abuja, where a walkway purportedly collapsed on three people, leading to the death of two and the third person presently receiving treatment in an undisclosed medical facility.

2 perish under mud at Abuja construction site

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TWO persons lost their lives after a mudslide incident at a private construction site on Plot 3333, Mississippi Street, Maitama District, Abuja.

The two victims, the *Nigerian Tribune* gathered, were labourers at the site.

Although the identities of

the victims could not be ascertained as of the time of this report, it was gathered that the site engineer had been arrested by the police, following the incident.

Executive Secretary of the Federal Capital Development Authority (FCDA), Mr Adamu Ismaila, was at the site to assess the situation.

He said FCT Minister, Mallam Musa Bello, had also directed the FCT Development Control to thoroughly investigate the incident and report back immediately to ascertain what really went wrong that led to the death of the two men.

He said the administration was going to investigate thoroughly the incident to

avoid a repeat.

Ismaila disclosed that remedial action to protect the infrastructure was already on at the site.

Other measures, according to him, was for all the contractors working at the site to temporarily stop whatever they were doing to provide retaining wall as a matter of urgency.

work plan by the Ministry of Petroleum Resources with a view to reactivating the refineries were satisfactorily adopted.

The executive secretary noted that the FCT Administration had approved the engagement of a construction firm, Habib Engineering Company Limited, to immediately take over the collapsed site and restore the embankment to prevent further erosion and possible collapse of the Mississippi Road.