

# ② Two dead, eight rescued from Kano collapsed building

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TWO persons have been confirmed dead while eight others were rescued by emergency responders following the collapse of a three-story building on Beirut Road, GSM Market, Kano on Tuesday.

According to the Nigerian Red Cross (NRC), Kano branch secretary, Alhaji Musa D. Abdullahi, a rescue worker from the Kano Electricity Distribution Company (KEDCO), Ya'u Abdullahi, was one of the two persons killed.

The Red Cross official said: "The KEDCO staff member died while he was trying to disconnect the building from the high tension. electricity cable.

"The power that had already been shut down from the transformer technically relayed back and trapped him, which led to his death

on the spot."

Earlier, the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) had confirmed the death of one person from the eight rescued and taken to the Murtala Muhammad Specialist Hospital.

Abdullahi, while giving an update on the tragedy, said the incident occurred at about 3:05p.m on Tuesday.

He said: "So far, eight persons were rescued and were taken to the Murtala Muhammad Specialist Hospital, Kano, for treatment.

"One person died, six persons with minor injuries had been treated and discharged, while one person with multiple fractures was still receiving treatment."

He added that search and rescue operations were still ongoing to rescue those still trapped underneath the rubbles.