

Two labourers electrocuted in Minna

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TWO casual workers were electrocuted on Monday at the state secretariat in Minna, Niger State, as they were engaged in renovation work.

While one of them, Ibrahim Alabo died on the spot, the second victim was said to have died at a private hospital in Minna, where he was rushed for treatment.

Our correspondent gathered that the victims were electrocuted when their iron ladder made contact with a live wire.

Their case was said to have been complicated by the inability of sympathisers to get a car to convey them to the hospital on time.

When contacted, the

Police Public Relations Officer for the state command, Mr. Richard Oguche, confirmed the incident.

Oguche said that Alabo got electrocuted when the iron ladder that he was using for the painting work touched a naked wire.

He added that the second victim sustained injury in the process of attempting to save Alabo's life and was rushed to the hospital for treatment.

He, however, denied knowledge of the death of the second victim.

The contractor handling the project, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, lamented the incident.

He described the victims' death as very unfortunate.