

One killed as building collapses in Osun

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A 46-year-old painter, Idowu Adeleke, died in Osogbo, on Thursday, when a building he was trying to pull down collapsed on him.

But his unidentified son was lucky to escape with fracture on his arm when a side of the dilapidated building suddenly gave way.

Head of Department, Disaster Management,

Nigerian Civil Defence and Security Corps, Osun State Command, Mr. Olaniyi Babalola, said the incident occurred as a result of inexperience on the part of the deceased and his co-workers.

Another labourer, Sikiru Obisesan, who also took part in pulling the building down, escaped unhurt.

Babalola charged members of the public to seek

advice of building professionals when pulling down a building.

He said, "We, hereby, plead with members of the public to seek the assistance of professionals when trying to pull down dilapidated buildings. Pulling down buildings is a risky venture that must be carried out only by professionals.

"It is most unfortunate that the painter experienced

sudden death in the course of duty."

PUNCHMETRO gathered that Adeleke, an indigene of Ejigbo town in Osun, was hired by the owners of the old building to help pull it down.

The building is located beside Oroki Hospital in Igbona area of Osogbo.

NCDSC's officials arrived on time and pulled Adeleke's corpse out of the debris.