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Four die, 15 injured in Oyo building collapse

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the New Covenant Church, Sagbe in Akinyele Local Government area of Oyo State collapsed.

Our correspondent learnt that at least 15 persons sustained injuries during a downpour that lasted about an hour during a mid-week service in the church.

The created panic in the area close to the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture.

An eyewitness, who gave his name as Lateef Adegbola, said, "The event occurred while the worshippers were singing and dancing, suddenly, a big bang was heard. A part of the building collapsed on the worshippers."

Adegbola, who said some people in the area raced to the scene to rescue the worshippers before the firefighters came.

Four lifeless bodies and 15 wounded members of the church, trapped in the collapsed building, were said to have been removed.

When visited, men of the Oyo State Fire Service and sympathisers were still on rescue operation.

Governor Abiola Ajimobi, who visited the scene, assured the people that his administration would assist the victims of the wreckage.

He, however, advised those living along the water courses in the state to desist from indiscriminate dumping of refuse on the water ways to avert a re-occurrence of flood disaster in the state.

He blamed the incident on the failure of the contractor handling the church building to use quality materials in a bid to cut cost.

He said, "If the contractor had not compromised quality, this incident would not have happened." The governor ordered that thorough investigation be carried out on the circumstances surrounding the collapse of the building."

NO fewer than four persons reportedly lost their lives on Wednesday when the auditorium of

election violence

State House of Assembly was working on reviewing the laws establishing the state Independent Electoral Commission to make it compliant with the Electoral act.

He said, "We discovered that some sections of the state electoral law are in conflict with the Electoral Act. For example, why our law says you should give 60-day notice of election, the Electoral Act stipulates 90 days. Our law does make provision for party agents to be given copies of the results at the pulling unit. We want to correct all these before the election and I know that the Assembly is working on that law," he said.