

Man electrocuted trying to steal electric cable

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An unidentified middle-aged man was electrocuted on Sunday while trying to steal an electric cable at a power installation point in Kaduna.

The *News Agency of Nigeria* reports that the incident happened on Accra Crescent by LEA Primary School, Unguwar Rimi.

The traditional ruler of the area, *Dan Iyar Unguwar Rimi*, Alhaji Muhammad Gidado, said the corpse of the vandal was taken from the scene by policemen from the Unguwar Rimi division.

He said the vandal was unknown in the area and urged law enforcement agencies to increase patrol, adding that the community had suffered from the activities of vandals lately.

Gidado said, "The man tried to steal the 150mm four core up-riser cable at the distribution sub-station on Accra Crescent when he was electrocuted."

The Head, Corporate Communications of Kaduna Electricity Distribution Company, Mr. Abdulazeez Abdullahi, appealed to customers of the company to be more vigilant and report suspicious movement around power supply installations to the police.

Abdullahi lamented that the activities of the hoodlums were causing a setback to the company's effort at providing steady power supply to its customers.

The police said it was investigating the incident with a view to arresting the collaborators.

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