Three CRUTECH students drown in Abakpa River

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Ada Wodu, Calabar

Three students of the Cross River University of Technology allegedly got drowned in Abakpa River, in the Ogoja Local Government Area of Cross River State, on Saturday.

Our correspondent gathered that the victims went swimming in the river when the tragedy occurred.

"They went to the river with other people to swim. What really happened nobody knows, but their bodies were found in the shallow part of the river.

"I only know one of them, David Unamu, who was a 200 Level Civil Engineering student. The other two I don't know their names for now, but they were all CRUTECH students. David studied in the Calabar campus, he lived in Abakpa and yet to resume school, while the other two were in Ogoja campus.

"I don't know about the other two, but I learnt that one of them was a Ghanaian, although his mother lives in Lagos State and the other was a native of Boki Local Government Area in Cross River State," a source said.

The Public Relations Officer of CRUTECH, Mr Onen Onen, confirmed the incident. He told our correspondent that the university would issue a statement on the incident soon.

The State Police Command Public Relations Officer, DSP Irene Ugbo, also said "We have not got any information like that. If they report, that is when we can know. If they don't report, there is no way we can know."

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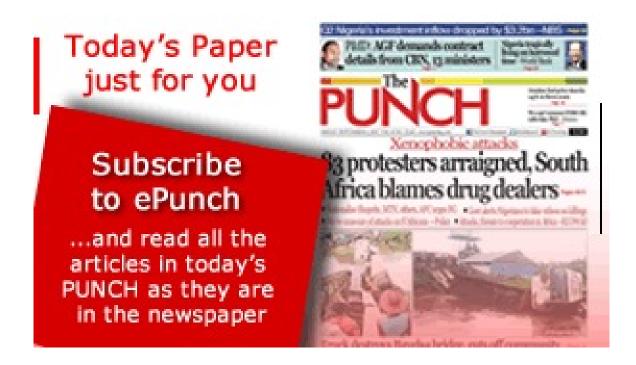
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