

Four dead as building collapses in Lagos

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Scene of the collapse (Photo: LASEMA)

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Four yet-to-be-identified persons lost their lives on Sunday when a three-storey building collapsed in the Obalende area of Lagos Island, Lagos State.

The PUNCH gathered that eight other persons were injured.

The General Manager, Lagos State Emergency Management Agency, Olufemi Oke-Osanyintolu, confirmed the incident.

He noted that the affected three-storey building located at 62, Odo Street, Obalende, Lagos Island, was under construction when it collapsed.

He said, “Upon arrival at the incident scene, a three-storey building under construction was discovered to have self-collapsed.

The cause of the collapse is yet to be ascertained, but efforts are presently ongoing by LASEMA and other responders towards salvaging the situation.

“As of 05:40pm, a total of eight people (all males) have been extricated alive by the LASEMA Response Team and other stakeholders, and have been attended and quickly transferred to the hospital by LASEMA paramedics for further medical attention at Lagos Island General Hospital.

“Four persons (three males and one female) have so far been recovered dead and handed over to SEHMU at the incident scene.”

He added that the recovery operation is still ongoing.