

# FG shuts national stadium pool as 13-year-old drowns (3)

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**A** 13-year-old boy, Mathew Godwin, has drowned in a swimming pool at the Moshood Abiola National Stadium, Abuja.

The Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports confirmed the incident in a statement on Thursday.

The ministry's spokesperson, Mohammed Manga, said the stadium's swimming pool had

been shut down.

The statement read, "The Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development has shut down the swimming pool of the Moshood Abiola National Stadium, Abuja, with immediate effect.

"All activities within the pool area are therefore suspended till further notice.

"This follows the unfortunate death of a 13-year-old boy,

Matthew Godwin, who drowned on Tuesday, May 3, 2022, during the festive season.

"The ministry has ordered a full-scale investigation into the immediate and remote causes of the incident and the activities that led to it in a bid to forestall future recurrence."

He, however, said a delegation from the ministry had paid the family of the deceased a condolence visit.