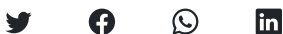


Kogi mine collapses, kills two, govt orders probe

Kindly share this story:



By Gbenga Odogun

30th August 2022



Kogi State Governor Yahaya Bello

The Kogi State Government has ordered a probe of the mining site that collapsed and killed two persons identified simply as, Amodu and Attah, at Ika-Ogboyaga, in the Ankpa Local Government Area of the state.

Reacting to the development, the state Commissioner for Solid Minerals and Natural Resources, Bashiru Gegu, in a statement, said the ministry had directed the total stoppage of illegal mining in the state following the death of the victims on Saturday.

Gegu said the government was worried by the activities of some unknown operators at various mining sites in the state, adding that miners should register with the government as failure to do so would attract sanctions.

Related News

Over 30 killed as gold mine collapses in Sudan

Two killed, 20 trapped in Zimbabwe mine collapse

Seven dead, dozens buried in mine collapse

However, the commandant of the Nigerian Security and Civil Defense Corp, JK Oyinloye, said investigation had commenced to ascertain the owner of the site.

He also said the deceased victims had been buried in accordance with Islamic rites.

Oyinloye said he had directed the divisional officials of the NSCDC to liaise with the traditional ruler to curb illegal mining activities in the community.