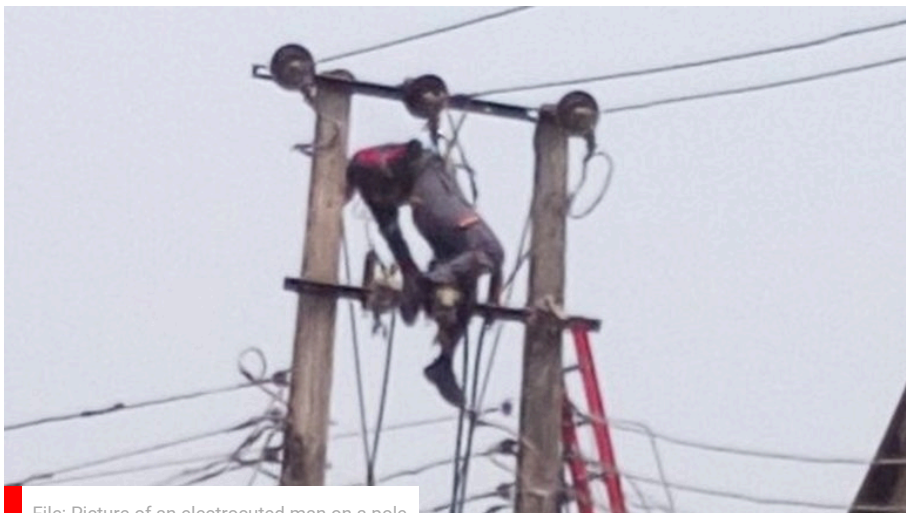




Benue man electrocuted

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File: Picture of an electrocuted man on a pole

By John Charles

Several people besieged the major highway in Otukpo area of Benue State to catch a glimpse of a young man identified as Inalegwu Major whose lifeless body dangled on a transformer.

The suspect was reported to have attempted to vandalise the Jos Electricity Distribution Company transformer located close to Joint Admission and Matriculation Board, JAMB in Otukpo.

According to eyewitnesses, the suspect might have been electrocuted while trying to vandalise the transformer.

An eyewitness who simply identified himself as Sunny said the dangling body of the suspect was noticed around 5:00am on Saturday by a passerby who raised an alarm.



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A resident of the area said that the victim who was known as a notorious cable vandal had succeeded in removing some cable parts before power was restored.

Confirming the incident, the Head, Corporate Communication of JED company, Dr Adakole Elijah, expressed shock that the victim could climb the transformer pole despite the tight security.

He said, "The truth is that the transformer is properly safeguarded, the transformer was mounted on a pole, so it beats my imagination that someone would climb that pole.

"That tells you it was deliberate, a clear case of vandalism. I'm sure he went with a very terrible motive and unfortunately, he has paid with his life."

Efforts to get the Police Public Relations Officer, Catherine Anene, for her reaction were not successful as her phone rang out.

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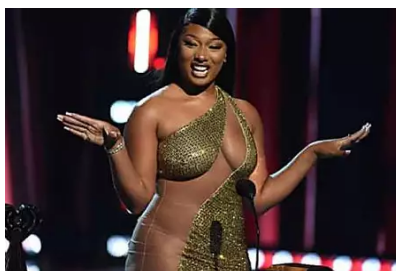


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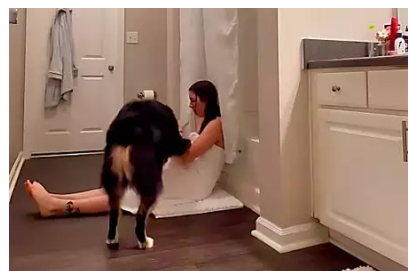
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