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We apologise for our front page headline yesterday, which announced 'Near Fatal Emergency Rescues Servers Gain Upper Hand' is based on the facts available to us at 2 p.m. when the newspaper closed. A lot of things happened after which led to the endorsement of emergency rule.

We regret the misleading session the story might have led.

—Editor

# NITEL Staff Drowns

EMMA OSODI

An unidentified NITEL staff drowned in a man-hole yesterday while fixing a fault at Barracks Bus Stop along Akilo Road, Ogba, Lagos.

P.M. NEWS gathered that the deceased and three of his colleagues were at the scene of the incident before the deceased slipped into the hole through which some

telecommunication wires pass.

He died a few minutes after as he could not be rescued immediately.

Sensing that their colleagues had died, the

other three NITEL staff fled the scene.

Some sympathisers who had gathered at the scene as well as *okada* riders later removed the corpse of the man from the man-hole.

It was further gathered that before fleeing the scene, his colleagues raised an alarm for help but before rescuers could come around, they took their

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heels.

Eye witnesses at the scene confirmed to *P.M.NEWS* that if the men had drained the water from the man-hole before working there, the deceased wouldn't have died.

**Police**

One of the witnesses who did not want his name mentioned, said: "the NITEL staff were supposed to have drained the man-hole before the deceased entered but they did not do that.

"I believe that the deceased must have slipped and hit his head on the concrete slabs before drowning."

said some of the corrupt