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Mother Of Five Electrocuted

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By Emma Una /Calabar

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A mother of five, identified as Mrs. Alice Iyekwu Ogar, has died from electrocution, after returning from the burial of another electrocuted lady.

P.M.News gathered that the incident occurred on 14 January, the day Miss Mary Egeh, the maid from Mfom in Ogoja, Cross River State, who was electrocuted in Lagos, was buried.

Investigations revealed that Mrs. Ogar, from a nearby village, Ugaga, in Yala, Ogoja, was on her way to the stream to take her bath after she came back from the burial, when a high tension electricity cable fell on her.

Her son, Augustine Ogar, who was with her at the time of the incident, told *P.M.News* that when the cable fell on his mother, there was fire and she was burnt.

"My mother was screaming for help, but I was too scared to touch her because I knew I could be electrocuted too," he narrated.

He said it took neighbours, who were attracted by his screamings, several minutes to remove the cable from his mother. "At that time, it was too late as she had become unconscious," he added.

The Secretary of Yala Local Government Area, Mr. Mathias Oko, confirmed the story, adding that he was the one who took her to the general hospital, where she died. A source at the regional office of Power Holding Company of Nigeria (PHCN), Ogoja, disclosed that the family had been compensated over the incident.

Head of the Ogar family, Mr. Iyekwu Ogar, confirmed that N50,000 was given to the family to settle the hospital and mortuary bills. A date has not been fixed for the burial, *P.M.News* learnt. Mr. Iyekwu Ogar, a security guard, working for a PDP stalwart, Mr. Peter Bello, said he has no money to carry out the burial. "I have called my *oga* to tell him that my wife was electrocuted, but he has not said anything. I am just a guard and cannot afford the burial expenses. I hope he will assist me bury my wife," he said.

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na wa ooh. this looks very suspicious. what can n\one say?

joey

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Na wa for PHCN there is no power to run aur home or work machines yet there is plenty to electrocute us....as i speak am running on generator. God help us.

SAMMIE

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