

2 Man commits suicide, boy crushed to death in Benin

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TRAGEDY struck in Benin when a man took his own life, while a teenager who sells beverages was crushed to death.

The man, identified as Christopher Duffoir and father of three, reportedly committed suicide at his Irhirhi residence in Benin City.

His body was found dangling from a ceiling fan by his wife, Eno, who said the deceased behaved strangely shortly after he returned from Bayelsa State.

He was said to have been taken to a Psychiatric hospital for treatment but escaped back home.

According to the wife, she left her husband sleeping in the sitting room and when

she returned, she saw him dangling from the ceiling.

In another development, a teenager was crushed to death by a trailer on Sapele Road, in Oredo Local Government Area of Edo State.

The boy was said to be a beverage seller, who traded in assorted drinks and snacks along with his brother on the busy road. Eyewitness account said the victim was

on the verge of collecting payment after attending to a commuter, when he was knocked down by the vehicle at Adesuwa junction on Tuesday.

"As the boy sold the drink to the passenger, he had to run to collect his money. As he was running, the trailer hit him and he fell down, while the back tyre crushed his head," the witness said.