

Osun: Ilesa varsity student electrocuted while charging phone

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A 100-level student of the Department of Business Administration, University of Ilesa, Osun State, Gbolahan Ojolo, has reportedly died while charging his mobile phone.

The Management of the University, yesterday in a statement by the Registrar, Funso Ojo, confirmed the death, saying that the incident occurred on Friday.

According to the Management, the deceased was electrocuted while playing a game on his mobile phone, which was being charged in his room at a private hostel located near the Prototype Engineering Development Institute (PEDI) junction.

“The electrocution was reportedly triggered by a lightning strike during a thunderstorm,” Ojo said.

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He explained that the University promptly informed the police, and after due clearance, the remains of the deceased were taken to the morgue of the Wesley Guild Hospital, Ilesa.

“The police have since commenced a thorough investigation into the circumstances surrounding the incident.

“The father of the deceased was immediately notified and has since arrived in Ilesa.

“In a show of deep concern and solidarity, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Taiwo Asaolu; the Registrar, Mr. Funso Ojo; the Dean of Student Affairs; the Dean of the Faculty of Management Sciences; the Head of the Department of Business Administration; and the Area Commander of Police were all physically present to receive and console the bereaved father.

“The University of Ilesa has also made necessary arrangements to support the family during this moment of intense grief and will continue to stand by them through this difficult time.