

Lightning kills 15-year-old in Abia



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Residents Abayi Ohanze community in Obingwa Local Government Area of Abia State were confused when a mysterious lightning struck a teenage girl to death.

The incident occurred about 4p.m. and took the life of the teenager, identified as Ogechi Ngozi.

Sources from Abayi Ohanze said the 15-year-old girl was struck by the lightning while she was roasting a palm nut she picked from outside their compound.

"There was a heavy rain that day. Before the rain, the community hired some labourers to cut down palm nuts as usual.

"The palm nuts were left on the roadside which is a normal thing here, so she picked some and returned to their kitchen and was roasting them to eat.

"Suddenly, we heard a serious thunder strike and the next thing I heard was shouts from their house and I went there and behold what I've never seen before all my life.

"She was confirmed to have died from the thunder strike (lightning) which up till now remains a mystery to all of us because we don't know why such should happen.

"As I speak to you, they have not buried her because the source of her death looked mysterious and they need to make some consultations. I've never seen this type of thing before," a resident said.