

Man electrocuted while vandalising transformer, cables in Benue

A middle-aged man yet to be identified, was in the early hours of yesterday electrocuted while allegedly vandalising a Jos Electricity Distribution Company's transformer and cables located opposite Queens Hotel, Ankpa, Makurdi, the Benue State capital.

The vandal was found dead and his lifeless body seen in between the two poles connecting the cables to the transformer mounted close to the main road.

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Ajaegbu (male), aged 27, Daniel Samuel (male), aged 21, and Akanimoh Joshua (male), aged 22.

The others are Chuckwu-mye Ubeh (male), aged 19, Peter James (male), aged 28,

It was gathered from one of the eyewitnesses, that the suspected vandal had gone to the transformer at about 3-4am yesterday and succeeded in using his pliers to cutoff the cables from the transformer.

It was further gathered that he was electrocuted with the sudden restoration of power while he was trying to pull out the vandalised cable.

According to an eyewitness who resides in the area who identified himself as Timothy Ejeh, the suspect took advantage of the non-availability of power supply in the area since last Sunday to commit the crime.

Ejeh explained that the unknown vandal had already vandalised the transformer and the armoured cables before his electrocution.