

# CITY BRIEFS

## Explosion rocks Shasha

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**A**N explosion which rocked the entire Ganiyu Animashaun Street in Shasha area of Lagos, occurred at the early hours of Wednesday morning, burning an unidentified person to death in the resultant fire.

The tragic incident which jolted occupants of the affected building from sleep reportedly occurred at about 1am.

Although the exact cause of the explosion which resulted to the inferno that caused wanton destruction of property worth several hundreds of thousands could not be ascertained, the explosive sound was said to have emanated from one of the rooms.

It was gathered that immediately after the deafening sound, there was total darkness, following a fire alarm.

In the ensuing stampede, some of the occupants were said to have sustained varying degree of injuries in their bid to avoid being trapped or choked by smoke.

The Lagos State Police Public Relations Officer who confirmed the incident, said the charred remains of an unidentified person was seen when the raging fire was eventually put out by fire servicemen.

Relatedly, a building on Sunny Adele close in Ajao Estate, also went up in flames same day, destroying property which monetary value is yet to be estimated.

Although there was no loss of life in the fire outbreak according to the Lagos State Command spokesman, Mr Frank Mba, the fire he said, was contained by Fire Servicemen as well as Policemen from Ajao division, who were drafted to the scene to provide security.