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Electrocution in P-Harcourt: Death toll rises to 12

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By Jimitota Onoyume

PORT HARCOURT — DEATH toll in last Saturday's electrocution incident at Trans Amadi area of Port Harcourt that resulted in the death of several persons has risen to twelve, says Rivers State Commissioner of Police, Mr. Suleiman Abba.

According to the Commissioner, the latest cases died in the hospitals were they were rushed to. He said families of those that died on the day the incident occurred had started going to retrieve their corpses at the mortuary of the Braithwaite Memorial Hospital where most of them were rushed to.

He said the police allowed them since they died in what could safely be described as an accident. It would be recalled that a high tension cable snapped on Saturday at the Trans Amadi area of Port Harcourt killing about eight persons on the spot while two others later died at the hospital the same day.

With the latest development, the death toll has so far risen to twelve. Meanwhile, the Rivers State government assured it

would make all effort to see that survivors get back to their feet again. Secretary to the state government, Mr. Magnus Abbey gave the assurance when he visited the casualties at their hospital beds at the Braithwaite Memorial Hospital on the day the sad incident occurred. He said the government would give them all the support.



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1. fasaba says:

February 16, 2010 at 4:15 pm

today gboko haram,tomorrow jos crises,today Goodluck ,tomorrow ya'adua,now is PH....hun God will save us in this country

2. *Ike cena* says:

February 16, 2010 at 3:49 pm

This remain in the memory of the PHCN that most of their work they overlook now is time to do most of them.

3. fon says:

February 16, 2010 at 3:33 pm

This is one of the reasons Nigeria should not think of wasting our money in dabbling into nuclear enery. We do not have the work ethics, the dedication and training to handle these dangerous, unseen, but real science such as electricity, radiation etc, that can wipe out a whole community. It is a shame that no body will be held accountable. Isn't there a way that this thing shuts up automatically when there is break?

4. Tochukwu Ezeoke says:

February 16, 2010 at 12:05 pm

May the sould rest in peace

5. Maazi Tochukwu Ezeoke says:

February 16, 2010 at 12:05 pm

may their soul rest in perfect peace.

6. boss says:

February 16, 2010 at 11:55 am

GOD help us

7. Chyco UNEC says:

February 16, 2010 at 11:34 am

May their souls rest in peace

8. Umu Oke says:

February 16, 2010 at 11:28 am

The High-tension poles in PH are not properly and strongly fixed on the ground

It is therefore no surpris that high-T-poles fell to cause eletrocution of many.

The deaths of those at Trans Amadi PH are the fault of Rivers State Government that failed to install stronge and durable high-T-poles.

The Power Holders or NEPA are alse responsible for these deaths for their failing to simply switching off the Power Supply in advance of badly charged thunder storm.Mr. Suleiman Abba,Rivers State Commissioner of Police, please note that that electrocution was not an accident.

Maazo Oke.

Germany

9. Claude Kurotimi says:

February 16, 2010 at 10:46 am

I'll also appeal to the state government to begin removal of properties along oi/gas Pipelines and power transmission/distribution Right of Way. They are just time bomb waiting to explode.

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