

## Two tenants jump to death, as 4-storey building catches fire in Onitsha

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**T**RAGEDY struck yesterday at the Awada area of the commercial city of Onitsha, Anambra State when two tenants of No. 15 Ntueke Street allegedly jumped from their four-storey building and died, while four others sustained serious injuries while trying to escape.

The incident, according to an eye witness, was caused by electrical spark at the staircase of the building. In the process, abandoned cushion chairs parked in the staircase were said to have caught fire leading to the inferno.

The source stated that out of panic, the deceased and injured tenants of the building tried to escape by jumping even as sympathizers were busy battling to stop the fire.

It was gathered that the two tenants who jumped from the third floor of the building died on their way to hospital, while four others sustained various degrees of injuries.

When newsmen visited the building, yesterday, blood stains were seen on the frontage while the

remains of the burnt furniture were being evacuated.

Fire fighters from Okpoko fire service station, who arrived the scene after the fire had been extinguished,

said they responded immediately they received distress call. They said the deplorable condition of roads in Awada area made it difficult for them to arrive the scene on time.

The Divisional Police Officer in-charge of Awada Police Station, Dimale Joseph, when contacted, said there was no formal report of the incident to the police.



Public Relations and Events Manager, Dufil Prima Foods, Tope Asiwaju(l); Chief Marketing Officer, Pawan Sharma;[m] and Head of Marketing, Manpreet Singh.during the Indomie Noodles Comic Promo Lucky Draw in Lagos.

## Terrorism: Sultan, Oba of Lagos say Nigeria won't break

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**H**OPE rose for Nigeria, yesterday, as two first class traditional rulers

predicted that it will not disintegrate despite the war being waged against it by Boko Haram in the North-east.

The Sultan of Sokoto

with Nigerians to pray fervently for that to happen before long.

The Sultan said that Nigeria needed peace in order to