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Protest over 13-yr-old boy electrocuted in Kano

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KANO -The death of a 13-year old boy, Bashir Auwalu, who was electrocuted at Naibawa quarters, Kumbotso Local Government area, Kano last week has triggered a protest in the area, Monday.

An eyewitness told Vanguard that the deceased allegedly stepped on a live wire in front of his house before the morning Muslim prayers.

Bashir was found dead by his father while returning home from the neighbourhood mosque.

Corroborating the eyewitness, father of the deceased, Auwalu Kwaram, 49, told Vanguard that "Bashir was unable to use the rest room because it was occupied during the time for prayers".

Kwaram, in tears said, "we are from God and unto Him shall we return at the appointed time afterall we are living to die".

Commenting on the incident, the Assistant General Manager, Kano Electricity Distribution Company (KEDCO), Mukhtar Baffa described the incidence as unfortunate, adding that 'it might not be unconnected with illegal connection'.

He revealed that KEDCO authority has embarked on public awareness campaign on the danger posed by illegal connection, stressing that the unwholesome practice constitute danger to both life and free flow distribution of power.

In his reaction, the police Image Maker in Kano, ASP Magaji Musa Majia disclosed that the command its not aware of the incident.

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