



The Abuja - Kaduna railway line:

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Lagos shopping plaza collapses, one dead

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A five-storey shopping complex under construction on 249B, Muri Okunola Street, Eti-Osa Local Government Area of Lagos State, collapsed yesterday, killing one person.

Sources said the building, which formally housed the Victoria Island office of the Lagos State Fire Service, collapsed last year, killing over 30 persons.

It was gathered that the incident forced the fire service to relocate.

Vanguard learned that the building, owned by a chieftain of All Progressives Congress, APC, was being reconstructed when it collapsed on the engineer handling the reconstruction at 11:30a.m.

A friend of the deceased, Miss Ruya Dashe, said it took the intervention of the officials of the Lagos State Fire Service and LASAMBUS to recover the body.

At 2p.m., when *Vanguard* visited the scene, the lifeless body of the engineer, who was identified as Mr. Oluwatosin, 40, from Ondo State, was still lying at the site.

An eyewitness said all they heard was a loud bang from the construction site, adding “and a thick dust came up from the site. After the dust had subsided, we all ran into the site. And we discovered that the engineer was trapped under the rubble.”

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