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KANO—A suspected thief, identified as Jamilu Adamu, was, yesterday, electrocuted at Kawon Maigari, Hotoro Area in Kano, while trying to vandalise a transformer.

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A statement by KEDCO's spokesperson, Mohammed Kandi, said the body of the deceased 35-year-old was found with some tools beside it.

Report

Kandi also quoted the firm's Head of Health Safety and Environment, Aminu Abubakar, as saying, "at the time the Police evacuated the corpse, one of the HV Bushings of the transformer was loosened from the base, indicating the intention to vandalise the transformer and possibly the armoured cable, as well.

"Judging by the whitish burn on his palm and a huge open gash on his left arm, it is highly likely that power was restored while he was operating, resulting in electric shock, and the ceramic insulator of the bushing shattering to cause the wound on his arm."

However, an eyewitness account disclosed that the deceased was seen loitering around the substation area three days earlier, saying "when he was approached, he told residents that he was there to visit his relative."



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