School gate house collapses in Badagry, kills carpenter, injures bricklayer

A carpenter was killed while a bricklayer was injured when a security post under construction collapsed at Badagry Grammar School in Lagos State, Monday.

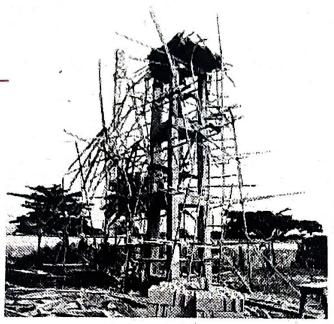
An eyewitness, Mrs Ruth Whenu, disclosed that the incident occurred around 3:40 p.m. while the workers were busy with the construction.

She said: "The incident involved two victims, a carpenter and bricklayer, working at the site.

"In the process, one Odunayo Okunola, a carpenter, lost his life due to the weight of the concrete that fell on him.

"Kazeem Abiodun was, however, rescued following prompt emergency response and taken to Badagry General Hospital."

A relation of the deceased



The collapsed structure.

carpenter, Ajide James, said his corpse would be taken for burial in their village in Ogun State.

He said the injured bricklayer was responding to treatment but sustained a high degree of injury. Contacted, Dr Tunde Bakare, Medical Director, Badagry General Hospital, said the injured bricklayer was responding to treatment.

"Before they got to the hospital, the carpenter had given up the ghost while the bricklayer sustained serious injuries.

"The corpse of the carpenter was deposited at our mortuary, while our doctors and nurses are taking care of the injured bricklayer.

"Unfortunately, against medical advice, the family of the bricklayer have requested from the management of the hospital that they want to carry the bricklayer to Ajase in the Republic of Benin for more attention.

"Since they requested against our advice, we have released the injured bricklayer but the corpse of the carpenter is still with us," he said.