

# Ebonyi varsity student slumps, dies during football match

**T**RAGEDY struck at the Alex Ekwueme Federal University, Ndufu-Alike Ikwo, AE-FUNAI, Ebonyi, following the death of a 200-level student, Ogboji David Chukwuebuka, who slumped on campus.

It was gathered that there was a football competition in the school organised by the Directorate of Sports of Student Union Government, SUG, of the school when the unfortunate incident occurred.

The undergraduate student of the Department of Economics in the institution was among those selected by his faculty to play against the Faculty of Biological Sciences during the freshers' league tournament of the university.

Ogboji, popularly known as Bernardo, reportedly slumped on the pitch during the competition and was rushed to the clinic at the university after which he was taken to a hospital where he was confirmed dead.

This was contained in a statement signed by the SUG Director of Sports in the school, Nwankwo Polycarp Chigozie.

He said "It is with a heavy heart that we bring you the news of the passing of one of our students. Ogboji David Chukwuebuka, a 200-level student of the Economics Department, who collapsed while playing for his faculty in the freshers' league tournament on the school field.

"Despite being rushed to the clinic and then referred to the hospital, he was confirmed dead upon arrival. We extend our deepest sympathies to his family, friends, and fellow students during this difficult time. May his soul rest in peace. Amen."