


Nine year-old-boy electrocuted to death in Jikwoyi

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Tragedy struck yesterday morning at the State Security Service (SSS) Quarters in Jikwoyi as a nine year-old-boy, Hassan Sani Abubakar was electrocuted to death.

Abubakar, a twin and a lover of pet, had left his family house located in Jikwoyi, to the SSS quarters in the area to feed his Pigeon when he met his sudden death.

An eye witness told our correspondent that late Hassan, a son of an Abuja based journalist, climbed an overhead water tank platform to feed the Pigeon when he slipped off.

The witness, who pleaded anonymity, said that in an attempt to regain balance, Abubakar unknowingly, held unto a naked electric cable belonging to the Power Holding Company of Nigeria(PHCN) which electrocuted him to death.

Residents of the SSS quarters, who know the parents of the deceased on sighting him rushed to inform his father, Alhaji Sani Abubakar, who then mobilised able bodied men to bring down the remains of the deceased..

The father of the deceased, who is the Abuja Bureau Chief of Nigerian Newsday Newspaper and Vice Chairman of the FCTA press corps while narrating his ordeal in an interview said his late son was an ardent lover of pets particularly Pigeons.

He said his love for Pigeon has often taken so much of his attention from other curricula activities including house hold assignments.

“Because of his addiction to the Pigeons , I had instructed my late child to remove them from the compound so that he concentrate. But unknown to me, he kept the Pigeons at the SSS quarters which is not far from my house,” Sani explained.

Furthermore, he explained that: “late Hassan woke up early this morning and went straight to look after his pets. I was unfortunately woken up from sleep to be informed of the sad event and rushed to the scene”.

The deceased has since been buried according to Islamic injunction.