**Karongi: A lightning strike struck a 15-year-old boy at around 5pm [Rwanda]**

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Uwase Josee, the head of the Gacaca Cell, told Dawn that the incident took place in the Great Village, the late Paul Kubwimana. It is reported that at 5 o'clock in the morning, the child was in a pet house with his two brothers but he was the one who died.

The executive secretary of the Gacaca Cell says that a man named Bimenyimana, the owner of the house in the aftermath of the tragedy, abandoned his family and went to find another wife, leaving the home with a wife and four children, living alone.

He said another eldest child in the family went to visit his relatives in Rutsiro District.

The National Weather Service on Friday issued a warning to Rwandans that the country is expected to receive four days of torrential downpours. The heavy rains began on the night of Thursday, April 16, 2020, killing three people, according to the Ministry of Emergency Situations, damaging eight (8) houses in various parts of the country, especially in Kigali, Nyarugenge, and damaging 'Food in Nyabugogo is dominated by food.

The Western Province is prone to thunderstorms and lightning, especially in Karongi and Rutsiro District.

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