**Tragedy as two football players killed in lightning strike in Kisii - Kenya**

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**In Summary**

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Football officials in Kitutu Chache, Kisii, say at least two football players have been killed in a lightning strike during a match at Manyansi.

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Marani OCPD, Benlife Munuve, said one player died at the scene while the second died in hospital where he was rushed to for emergency treatment.

Evans Akanga, Kitutu Chache North Football Kenya Federation chair, said the players died on Saturday evening during the friendly tournament.

Two other players are nursing injuries at Nyamira Teaching and Referral Hospital where they were rushed for treatment.

"The teams were having a friendly match when it suddenly began to rain," he stated.

Reported by Frank Shumbusho, Citizen Reporter for Rwanda