**Descarga eléctrica mata no Andulo [Angola]**

05 de Março (relatado em Março 08)

<https://www.angop.ao/noticias/sociedade/descarga-electrica-mata-tres-membros-da-mesma-no-quipungo/>

Duas pessoas, das quais uma criança de sete anos, perderam a vida sexta-feira no bairro Assasa, arredores da sede municipal do Andulo, no Bié, após terem sido atingidas por uma descarga eléctrica, se-gundo a directora clínica do Centro Materno-Infantil.

Mambulu Balaca disse que as vítimas deram entrada no Centro Materno-Infantil às 20h30, com graves ferimentos em quase todo o corpo.

As vítimas, acrescentou, antes de serem atingidas, encontravam-se no quintal da sua residência, numa altura em que se registava chuva forte, acompanhada de trovoadas.

De realçar que no município do Andulo registam-se, nos últimos dias, chuvas intensas e a falta de pára-raios tem provocado vários incidentes, muitos dos quais com vítimas mortais.

Os corpos das vítimas, de 7 e 17 anos, foram encaminhados para a morgue do Hospital Municipal do Andulo. Segundo o Serviço de Protecção Civil e Bombeiros (SPCB), estas são as primeiras vítimas mortais registadas este ano na circunscrição, devido às descargas eléctrica, provocadas pelas chuvas.

O SPCB apela às administrações comunais no sentido de apostarem na colocação de pára-raios nas comunidades.

**Lightning kills in Andulo [Angola]**

March 05 (Reported on March 08 by local media)

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Two people, including a seven-year-old child, lost their lives on Friday in the Assasa neighborhood, near the municipal headquarters of Andulo, in Bié, after being hit by an electrical shock, according to the clinical director of the Materno-Infantil Center.

Mambulu Balaca said the victims were admitted to the Materno-Infantil Center at 8:30 pm, with serious injuries to almost the entire body.

The victims, he added, before being hit, were in the backyard of his residence, at a time when there was heavy rain, accompanied by thunderstorms.

It should be noted that in the municipality of Andulo there has been, in the last days, intense rains and the lack of lightning rods has caused several incidents, many of them with fatal victims.

The bodies of the victims, aged 7 and 17, were sent to the morgue of Andulo Municipal Hospital. According to the Civil Protection and Fire Service (SPCB), these are the first fatalities recorded this year in the district, due to electrical discharges caused by the rains.

The SPCB calls on communal administrations to invest in placing lightning rods in communities.

**Information by items**

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| *Year and month* | 2021 / March |
| *Day of the month or week* | Friday 05th |
| *Numbers killed or injured* | 2 killed, 0 injured |
| *Age and gender* | 7-year-old (gender not indicated), 17-year-old (gender not indicated) |
| *Geographic Location* | Andulo Municipality, Bié Province, Angola |
| *Personal location and activity when injured* | In their home’s backyard |