**Lightning strike kills man, injures one in Ejura [Ghana]**

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A lightning strike has killed a man and injured one other in the Ejura Municipality of the Ashanti region.

The incident which occurred just before 17:00hrs on Wednesday left 21-year-old Abdul Sumaila unconscious with burns on the face and chest region. He was rushed to the Ejura Government Hospital and was pronounced dead on arrival by medics. His younger brother, Toffiq Sumaila, who also sustained burns on his right leg had also been treated and discharged, hospital officials told Dailymailgh.com.

Police investigators said on Friday that the victims had gone to Dejewu, a farming community in the Ejura Municipality to plough their farmland. The victims, who realised the rains had set in amidst thunderstorms sheltered under a tree for safety. They suddenly heard a loud booming noise when the storm hit.

The deceased was later found on the ground and was rushed to the hospital for treatment, witness and brother of the victim, Abdul Sumaila Adam told Dailymailgh.com. “We tried to revive him. My brother’s body was very hot,” Sumaila said. His face wasn’t a normal colour.”

At the time of filing this report, the body of Abdul Ganiu Sumaila had been deposited at the Ejura Government Hospital morgue for preservation.

Ghana is likely to record more of such cases as the country enters the rainy season. Amid Covid-19 pandemic, weathermen have also been advising citizens of heavy rains in the coming days.