**Lightning strike in Guinea-Bissau causes seven deaths and several injuries [Guinea-Bissau]**

July 09, 2023 (Reported on July 11 by local media)

Seven people died and more than 10 were injured this weekend in Guinea-Bissau.

According to the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Local Government, quoted by Notícias ao Minuto, the lightning struck the village of Poro, in the Gabu region, in the Boé sector, located a few kilometers from the border with Guinea-Conakry.

"The tragic event was caused by the strong electrical discharge," said the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Local Government in a statement published on Tuesday.

The agency regrets the incident and offers condolences to the families of the victims.

The rainy season in Guinea-Bissau began in May and will last until November.

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**Queda de raio na Guiné-Bissau provoca sete mortos e vários feridos [Guiné-Bissau]**

09 de Julho (relatado em Julho 11), 2023

<https://opais.co.mz/queda-de-raio-provoca-sete-mortos-e-mais-de-10-feridos-na-guine-bissau/>

Sete pessoas morreram e mais de 10 ficaram feridas, este fim-de-semana, na Guiné-Bissau.

Segundo o Ministério da Administração Territorial e Poder Local, citado pelo Notícias ao Minuto, o raio atingiu a tabanca de Poro, na região de Gabu, no sector de Boé, situada a alguns quilómetros da fronteira com a Guiné-Conacri.

“O trágico acontecimento foi provocado pela forte descarga eléctrica”, refere o Ministério da Administração Territorial e Poder Local, em comunicado publicado esta terça-feira.

O organismo lamenta o incidente e apresenta condolências aos familiares das vítimas.

A época das chuvas na Guiné-Bissau começou em maio e vai prolongar-se até Novembro..

**Information by items**

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| *Year and month* | 2023 / July |
| *Day of the month or week* | Sunday 09th |
| *Numbers killed or injured* | 7 killed, 10 injured |
| *Age and gender* | Not specified |
| *Geographic Location* | Village of Poro in the Gabu region of the Boé sector, a few kilometers from the border with Guinea-Conakry |
| *Personal location and activity when injured* | Not specified |