Lightning bolt strikes 16

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SIXTEEN women were left with burns after a lightning bolt struck Scotfield Farm in Trelawney in Zvimba District yesterday afternoon.

They were rushed to Mapinga clinic before some were transferred to banket district hospital and Chinhoyi provincial hospital depending on their degree og buns.

A victim Ms Matilda Mwanza (42) who was left with burns on the hand and other parts of her body, said the lightning struck when they had just left the tobacco field.

We were in a three roomed house when the first lightning bolt hit. We all rushed out fearing for our lives and another bold struck, he said.

Ms. Mwanza said all the women were left with burns. Ward 13 councilor, Alefa Muyesa, said they were making efforts to help the affected people.

Zvimba district development Coordinator Mr. Joseph Manyurapasi, said the district civil protection unit (CPU) was working to identify other areas that were affected by the rains.

The rains also destroyed houses in Ward 6 under Makonde district, but the extent of the damages could not be immediately ascertained