



Namibia: Suicide, Lightning, Car Crash Claim Lives Over Weekend

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Two suicides by hanging were reported in Windhoek over the weekend.

The Namibian Police's Public Relations Division announced yesterday that a 19-year-old woman, Nicolette Diergaardt, was discovered hanging from a plastic belt at a house in Windhoek between 03h00 and 03h30 yesterday. She is thought to have committed suicide, as she left a suicide note behind, it was announced.

Also in Windhoek, a 32-year-old man, Sakaria Iiyambo, was discovered hanging on a belt at a house in Elephant Street in Windhoek North. Iiyambo was found dead at about 07h45 on Saturday. His death is also suspected to have been a suicide.

In eastern Namibia, the new rainy season has already claimed a lightning strike victim.

A Police spokesperson, Warrant Officer Kauna Shikwambi, stated that a 14-year-old boy, named as Kamberiuo Taimba Jaepa, died on the spot when he was struck by lightning at Okamatapati, situated east of Okakarara, at about 16h00 on Saturday. The incident happened at the soccer field of Okamatapati Combined School.

A 17-year-old youth lost his life on Saturday after he was hit by a car while cycling along the road between Okahandja and Otjiwarongo, Shikwambi announced.

The victim died on the way to Okahandja Hospital. The incident occurred at about 20h15 on Saturday.

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