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Lightning has killed three people on a farm near eShowe.

"Emmanuel Mansango, 33, Lungile Nyawo, 28, and Khanyisile Mthembu, 40, were standing on a veranda when they were hit by lightning," KwaZulu-Natal co-operative governance and traditional affairs spokesperson, Vernon Mchunu, said.

Seven other workers were also hit and are recovering in a nearby hospital in eShowe

Mchunu said 195 people have been killed this year as a result of disaster related incidents.

"I am depressed deeply to have to face the victims of these disasters and even the thought that we can expect more dark stories like these is saddening," MEC Nomusa Dube said.

She said because of climate change there would be an increase in disaster related incidents.