

Ikeja Electric Clarifies Misinformation on Social Media Regarding Alleged Cable Vandalism

Lagos, Nigeria – March 26, 2025 – The attention of Ikeja Electric, Nigeria's leading electricity distribution company, has been drawn to a report circulating on social media alleging that two of its employees were caught vandalizing cables attached to a transformer in the Lawson community on March 24, 2025. This claim is incorrect.

To set the record straight, Ikeja Electric does not condone any unlawful act that undermines our commitment to delivering an efficient and reliable power supply. This applies to our direct employees, third-party contractors, and any individuals or groups, regardless of their status.

According to Kingsley Okotie, Head of Corporate Communications at Ikeja Electric, the individuals in question are employees of Arise Business Link, a company engaged by Ikeja Electric for debt recovery operations. They are currently being interrogated by the Lagos State Police Command to gather more information about their activities, possible accomplices, and other relevant details to aid their prosecution.

Earlier this year, we made a public appeal to community members, security agencies, and traditional institutions to assist in combating vandalism and energy theft by reporting suspicious activities. The collaboration with local security groups and communities such as Lawson-Oke-Ira in Ojodu and Epe has been instrumental in tackling these crimes. Just weeks ago, vandals along the Epe corridor were apprehended, and now another group has been caught.

We commend the Lagos State Government, security agencies, local communities, traditional rulers, and other stakeholders for their unwavering support in the fight against these criminal activities.

At Ikeja Electric, we maintain a zero-tolerance policy towards vandalism, energy theft, and safety infractions. These illegal activities not only disrupt power supply but also lead to significant financial losses due to infrastructure replacement and revenue shortfalls.

To further curb this menace, we urge members of the public to leverage our whistleblowing platforms to report cases of energy theft and vandalism confidentially:

- **L** Toll-Free Hotline: 0800-TIP-OFFS (0800 847 6337)
- Web Portal: www.ikejaelectric.com/whistleblowing
- Email: expressyourself@ikejaelectric.com
- B Mobile App: Download the Deloitte Tip-offs Anonymous App on Android or iOS

For customer complaints and resolution, please contact us via:

L Hotlines: 0201-7000-250, 0201-227-2940

- Email: customercare@ikejaelectric.com
- **K** Twitter (X) Handle: @ieServe

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