

# SAFETY BULLETIN

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## Charging of mobile phones

### Introduction:

A few days ago, a person was recharging his mobile phone at home.

Just at that time a call came in and he answered it with the charger still connected to the socket.

### Background:

After a few seconds electricity flowed into the mobile phone unrestrained and the young man was thrown to the floor with a heavy thud. The phone actually exploded.

His parents rushed to the room only to find him unconscious, with a weak heartbeat and burnt fingers.

He was rushed to the nearby hospital, but was pronounced dead on arrival.

Cell phones are a very useful modern invention.

However, we must be aware that it can also be an instrument of death.

### Action required:

Never use the cell phone while it is plugged in on charge! If you are charging the mobile phone and a call comes in, unplug it from the charger.

**COMMUNICATE THIS TO THE PEOPLE THAT MATTER IN YOUR LIFE!!!!**

Whether or not they have a cell phone. They can also inform others who do.....

All managers and safety representatives must ensure that this Safety Bulletin is communicated throughout.

Regards

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