

# Power distribution box explodes at a factory in Congo



## Overview

An explosion at a power distributor box in Mkondeni on Monday morning, caused by illegal power connections, resulted in 80 employees being sent home. The incident comes just days after local businesspeople met with Msunduzi Mayor Mzimkhulu Thebolla and his team to discuss ongoing challenges. On 2 February 2022, a power cable collapsed in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo, killing 26 people. The accident occurred at a market in Matadi-Kibala on the outskirts of the capital of the DRC. The cable fell onto houses and shoppers, with the live end landing in a ditch that was filled. In this video, we witness a dramatic arc flash explosion that occurs while a high-voltage (HV) circuit breaker is being rolled into a panel. This incident highlights the critical importance of proper safety protocols and precautions when working with electrical equipment. Arc flash explosions can. Participants in the SAFER programme collect household and hygiene kits from Concern at the Kirotshe distribution site.



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Mkondeni businessperson Jorg Kahler points to the illegally connected electricity wires that cause constant outages. PHOTO: CHRIS NDALISO. An explosion at a power distributor box in

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