

9 Kenya Power executives charged over national blackout

Nine executives of electricity distributor Kenya Power were on Wednesday, 19 January, charged in court over suspicion of involvement in a fault on the grid, which caused a nationwide blackout last week, Citizen TV reported.



Technicians work on collapsed high voltage electricity transmission pylons from the Kambere hydroelectric dam in Embakasi district of Nairobi, Kenya, 12 January 2022. Reuters/Mnicah Mwangi

The East African nation was enveloped in a blackout on 11 January due to what Kenya Power said was the collapse of some towers supporting a high voltage line. Power was restored after several hours.