

Train crushes dispatch rider in Lagos



A train yesterday crushed a dispatch rider at the PWD Railway Level Crossing in Ikeja, Lagos.

The **Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA)** said the motorcyclist with number plate AGL 179 QR, attempted to cross the railway line despite an approaching train.

Preliminary investigations revealed that the dispatch rider, who was said to be travelling at high speed, made a failed attempt to beat the oncoming train while trying to access the GRA axis of Ikeja. The impact of the collision proved fatal, as the rider died instantly.

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LASTMA officials, who were the first responders at the scene, immediately cordoned off the area to prevent secondary accidents and ensure free traffic flow. They were later joined by security operatives from the Shogunle Police Division.

The State Environmental Health Monitoring Unit (SEHMU) removed the remains of the deceased.

LASTMA General Manager Olalekan Bakare-Oki, described the incident as “a distressing reminder of the dire consequences of impatience and disregard for traffic safety rules, particularly at railway level crossings.”