

Popular Nigerian biker dies in lone Lagos crash

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Kolapoz. Photo: Facebook

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Popular Nigerian photographer and biker, Orowole Kolapoz, widely known as Kola Onifoto, has died following a lone motorcycle accident in Lagos.

The 32-year-old travel enthusiast and brand influencer was reportedly involved in the crash on Sunday during what he described as his first solo motorcycle trip outside Lagos.

Just hours before the accident, Kola had shared on his official Facebook page that he was heading to Akure on his bike. “Big shout out to those who have ridden their bikes to every state in this country, to Africa, and across the world, especially women. My eye see wheeen,” he wrote on Sunday, March 1, 2026.

Friends later disclosed online that he had been involved in the accident and was initially rushed to the emergency unit of the Federal Road Safety Corps at 7UP, Ojota. He was subsequently transferred to the Lagos University Teaching Hospital, Idi-Araba, where well-wishers continued to pray for his recovery on social media.

Tragically, Kola succumbed to his injuries in the early hours of Monday, March 2.

News of his death sparked an outpouring of tributes and emotional reactions from friends, colleagues, and followers. Facebook user Georgiana Onyinye wrote, “We prayed, we cried, and hoped to hear better news, but unfortunately, death had other plans. Kola fought so hard. You tried to stay alive, but death had other plans. You will be greatly remembered. Rest easy, K.”

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Details surrounding the exact cause of the crash remain sketchy. In January, Kola had celebrated achieving his dream of becoming a biker, sharing a photo of himself posing beside his new motorcycle.

Victoria Ayagwu also mourned his passing while reacting to the news of his death on Facebook.

“All the posts was just me keeping my hopes up and hoping on miracle..oooooooo because I heard from his closest friend yesterday night that he’s gone, he died on the spot. I don’t know why we are here at all. Kola spoilt my night and my whole day,” she wrote.

“Hot tears rolled down my cheeks. Haven’t had any encounter with him, but the way he fights for people drew me closer to his page. Goodnight Mr Kola,” Emmanuel Collins wrote.

Naomi Balogun, who claimed to have just started showing interest in his write-up, also wrote: “I have never felt so bad about a stranger’s death like I felt for you. I hope it’s not true. I just started having an interest in your writeups. This breaks my heart. I’m not a close relation, and I am already physically down, how much more people close to you. Oh! What is life?”

The spokesperson for the Lagos Sector Command of the Federal Road Safety Corps, Oluwadamilola Jayeola, did not respond to calls made to her telephone line. A text message sent to her had yet to be replied to as of the time this report was filed.