

Tanker crashes into Akpabio's convoy, kills police officer

A dispatch rider attached to the convoy of Godswill Akpabio, the Senate President, Ibrahim Hus-saini, has been killed after a petrol tanker rammed into the motorcade.

Akpabio revealed the incident on Tuesday during plenary, where he announced the death and extended condolences to the family of the deceased.

Dispatch riders, who are police officers, form part of the security detail of top government officials and typically escort convoys on motorcycles.

Although the Senate President did not state the precise location of the crash, he said it happened in Ibadan, Oyo State, shortly after members of his convoy picked him up from the Ibadan Airport.

"We went to Oyo State for the installation of our colleague, but the vehicles

that came to pick me up at the Ibadan airport, unfortunately, my dispatch rider was run over by a tanker driver, and his head was shattered.

"We just buried him 15 minutes ago in Kogi State. He left two wives and four children," the Senate President told lawmakers.

Traders trapped as fire guts 25-storey Great Nigeria Insurance House in Lagos

Fire has gutted the Great Nigeria Insurance House, Martins Street, Lagos Island, on Christmas Eve, and destroyed property worth millions of naira.

Though no life was re-

portedly lost as at press time, some traders are believed to be trapped as occupants and neighbours scampered for safety.

Confirming the incident, the Permanent Secretary of the Lagos State Emergency Management Authority (LASEMA)