

# 3 persons die in Port-Harcourt

Three persons were killed in two separate tragic incidents in Port-Harcourt, Rivers State.

The first incident, which happened in the afternoon on Monday around the Elioza area of Port-Harcourt, led to the death of two yet to be identified persons, and the destruction of five vehicles.

The other incident was when a woman in her late 20s was crushed to death yesterday by a moving train at Mile 1, Diobu area of Port-Harcourt.

The two persons who died in the first incident met their death when an oil tanker loaded with diesel skidded off the road, fell over and caught fire. The resultant blaze killed the two unidentified persons and razed four other vehicles parked within the vicinity of the accident.

As at yesterday morning, the charred remains of the four vehicles were still lying at the

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scene of the accident, while the tanker was still burning.

However, in the second incident involving the lady, eyewitness accounts painted a picture of a suicide as the woman was said to have knowingly jumped in front of the moving train despite attempts to restrain her.

The tragic accident occurred at 7.00 am yesterday. The late woman, said to be a mother of two and who resided in Bolokiri area of Port-Harcourt, was before the alleged suicide attempt said to have complained of being frustrated.

But the police in Rivers State disputed this claim, as police sources told *Daily Trust* that the woman could have been killed by the moving train as she tried to flee from unknown assailants, who attempted to rob her.