

Man knocked down by hit and run driver

A man who identified himself as Jerry Nwoko of the Abuja Environmental Protection Board (AEPB), Monday night used his vehicle to knock down a man around the Gwarimpa fly over bridge that is under construction in Abuja.

Our reporter who observed the accident saw when a light yellow Mercedes Benz car with Kaduna registration number AA 162 KAR hit the man, who was dressed in a blue caftan dress.

The man was carrying a 'Ghana must go' bag and he crossed the road without observing if there was an on-coming vehicle.

Immediately the car hit the man, he was flung up into the air and later hit the ground, with the content of the bag scattered all around him.

The left side of the man's skull was smashed open and his breathing appeared to have stopped.

By Nasir Imam

After the accident, the driver of the Mercedes Benz sped off but was hotly pursued by two other vehicles that caught up with him and made him make a u-turn back to the scene of the accident.

The driver, who gave his name as Jerry Nwoko, said the man appeared from nowhere in the dark and entered the road without looking.

"There was no way I could have avoided hitting him," he said.

Our reporter along with other motorists drove to Gwarimpa Estate to call some policemen that are stationed there.

Two policemen accompanied the motorist to the accident scene and by that time, the driver of the car had escaped.

The Mercedes Benz car was later evacuated to the Gwarimpa Police Station, while the man was moved to Gwarimpa Hospital.

Man in court