

Media Trust loses driver in auto crash

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A Media Trust driver, Usman Abubakar, who was carrying newspapers to Sokoto, Kebbi and Zamfara States from Kano yesterday died in a motor accident at Damba, a few kilometers from Gusau.

Usman died early yesterday while conveying the newspapers to Gusau, his first destination before proceeding to Sokoto. Onlookers at the scene could not explain how it happened but it was apparent that he lost control of his vehicle when he reached the site of the road rehabilitation work which has no caution signs.

Older brother of the deceased, Aminu Shehu, who was with him in Kano a few minutes before he left for Zamfara, said when he left Kano, he tried to alert

Usman on the rehabilitation site as he was away when the work started but could not get him on phone until the accident occurred.

Aminu blamed the construction firm for not putting any sign to indicate that work is going on along the road. Late Usman who was alone in the car, was burnt beyond recognition while all the newspapers he carried were burnt to ashes.

The brother said that late Usman who was 25 years old, was to marry next week. Meanwhile, the Zamfara State council of the Nigeria Union of Journalists led by its Secretary, Mohammed Sabiu, has condoled the family of the deceased and prayed for the repose of his soul. Vendors in Gusau led by Ahmad Kawu have also paid a condolence visit.