

Truck crushes mother to death, baby escapes

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AN over speeding trailer yesterday crushed a mother to death while she was attempting to cross the ever busy Kano-Zaria expressway with a baby on her back.

The trailer with registration number XA651DRA crushed the woman in the morning near Yan Lemu.

Witnesses said the crushed woman was crossing the road in the company of another elderly woman when she apparently hesitated and made attempt to turn back. She was hit and ran over by the coming heavy duty truck in the process.

Her remains had to be scrubbed from the road's surface, while her baby and the other woman escaped with injuries.

Confirming the incident, Kano Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission Ahmed K. Hassan blamed the accident on over speeding on the part of the truck driver, and wrongful crossing of express way by the victims.

He advised pedestrians to use the pedestrian bridge provided to avoid being hit by speeding vehicles.