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Naked woman, baby's corpses dumped at highway

By Abubakar Sadiq Isah

THE corpses of an unidentified woman and a baby girl were in the wee hours of Friday dumped at Kilankwa junction, along Abuja-Lokoja highway.

Motorists who plied the road near Kwali in the stopped to view the bizarre sights and our

reporter observed that the dead woman's head was broken with her skull showing, while her intestines shot out of the stomach.

The woman's private part appeared to be missing and the skull of the baby was also broken.

An observer at the incident suspected that both victims

might have been murdered by suspected ritualists, while others blamed their deaths on a hit and run driver.

Commenting on the incident, Yangoji Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) unit Commander, Umar Abdullahi, said his men were on early patrol along the road when they

sighted the corpses by the road side and immediately contacted him before he alerted the police.

"We rushed to the scene along with the police and took the corpses to the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital's Morgue," he said.

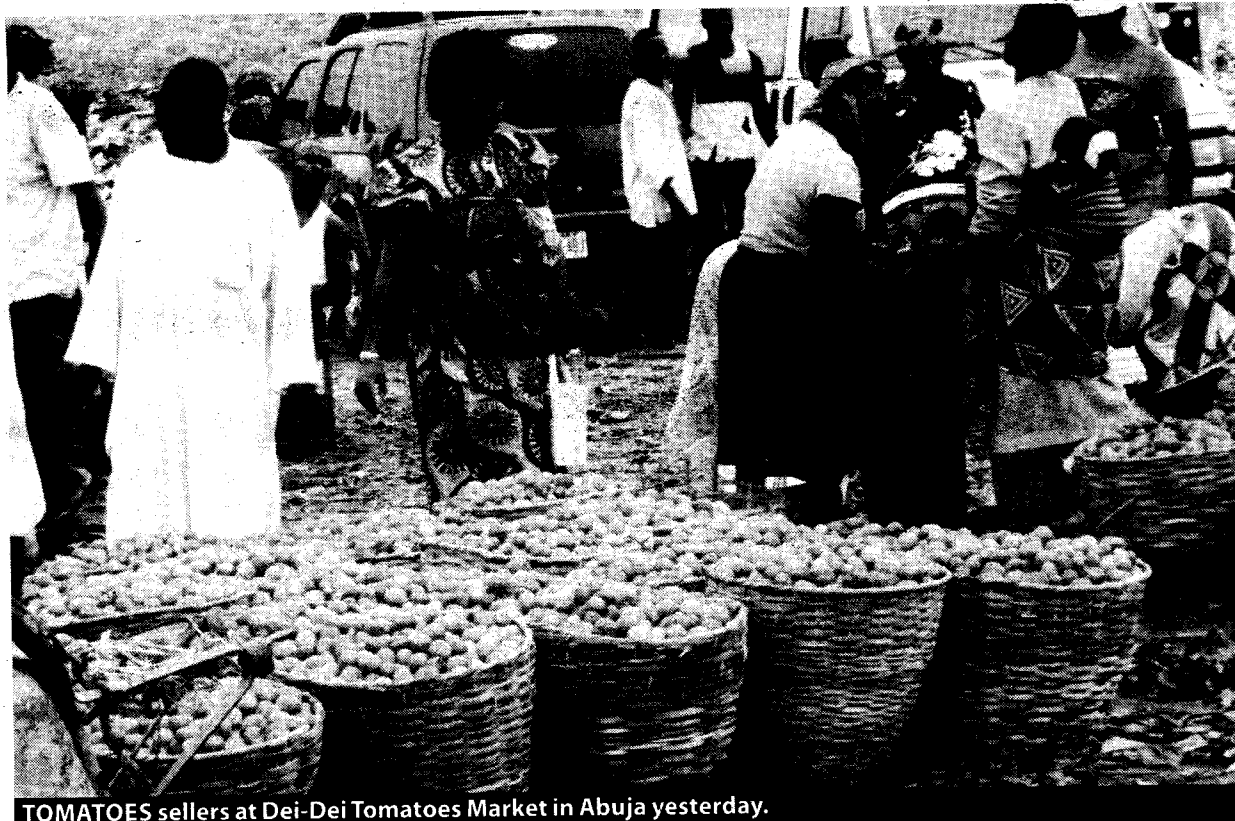
When contacted, Kwali Divisional Police Officer (DPO),

Umar Usman, confirmed the incident and said it was a hit and run driver case.

He said the mother and child might have been knocked down Thursday night by bus drivers travelling along the road.

"Even the doctors certified to that fact before accepting the corpses," the DPO said.

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TOMATOES sellers at Dei-Dei Tomatoes Market in Abuja yesterday.

...As spare tyre kills driver at Kwali

By Abubakar Sadiq Isah

A spare tyre that fell off a moving truck yesterday caused an accident that led to the death of a bus driver. Mr. Eze Unwuka, while five others sustained serious injuries at Kwali.

An eye witness, who put the incident time at 6.12 am, said the commuter bus conveying about 11 passengers from Zuba to the East lost control when a truck's spare tyre hit the bus and forced it into a ditch.

Yangoji FRSC unit Commander, Abdullahi Umar, said the spare tyre of the truck fell off from the truck and hit driver's side of the bus, killing the driver instantly, and leaving five passengers seriously injured when the bus crashed into a ditch.

He said the bus driver's corpse is at the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital's Morgue, while the injured passengers are in Kwali General Hospital.

The commander also disclosed that three persons were injured in another accident that occurred on the same day at Anguwar Kashew, along Abuja-Lokoja highway, when a Peace Mass Transit bus with registration number XD 647 AKL lost control and crashed into a ditch.

According to him, the bus driver was on high speed with about 16 passengers and rammed into a ditch, leaving three passengers seriously wounded.

Umar blamed the bus driver for speed violation, saying the injured victims are at Kwali General Hospital.