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Monday, 28 March 2011 00:00

Itodo Daniel Sule



An unidentified truck in the early hours of yesterday morning crushed to death a commercial cyclist at Mararaba Market junction, along Abuja-Keffi road.

A witness said the cyclist was making a u-turn along the market junction, when a truck knocked him down from behind and ran over him with its back wheel, killing him instantly.

He said that the truck driver drove off in speed, after the accident, which mad youths in the area angry, who vandalised other Julius Berger trucks that were plying the road.

When our reporter visited the accident, six Julius Berger trucks with registration numbers XB 614 KUJ, XE 252 KUJ, KN 546 ABJ, XJ 338 RBC, XD 624 KUJ, XJ 347 RBC and the company's van with registration number XD 868 KUJ had its windscreen, side mirrors and head lamps shattered.

The incident caused serious traffic jam until policemen came in to control traffic.

The Abacha Road Divisional Police Officer was not in the station when our reporter called but a policeman in the place said that the Divisional Traffic Officer (DTO) and an Investigation Police Officer (IPO) have taken the remains of the cyclist to a mortuary, while investigations have commenced in the case.

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