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## Truck crushes motorcyclist at Mararaba

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A truck fully loaded with sand Monday morning crushed a motorcyclist to death at Mararaba,

Nasarawa State.

A witness, Raphael Ogwuche, said the cyclist who was carrying a woman was knocked down by a

hit and run cab driver.

He said a truck coming behind the cab in full speed, climbed

over the body of the cyclist and

smashed his head.

The witness said the woman passenger escaped unhurt, while

the cyclist died instantly.
Our reporter gathered that the truck with registration number XB 115 QAP was coming from

Keffi when the incident happened.
When contacted, a senior
police officer at Mararaba Police
Station confirmed the accident

and said the corpse of the cyclist is at a morgue in the city centre.

Similarly, five persons were seriously injured in the wee hours of Tuesday in another motor accident that occurred at Gada-Biyu

village, along Abuja-Lokoja road. A witness said the accident happened when an 18- seater Toyota Hiace bus belonging to Sokoto State Transport Service lost control and crashed into a ditch. He said the injured victims all male adults were immediately evacuated by road safety officials

to a hospital.

Commenting on the incident,
Abaji unit Commander of the
Federal Road Safety Commission
(FRSC), Mr. Joseph Onyemauche
Ezeh, attributed the accident
to fatigue on the part of the bus

driver.

He further disclosed that a

middle aged motorcyclist was on Monday night knocked down by a hit and run driver at Abaji round-

about.

According to the FRSC commander, the accident happened at about 11pm, when the cyclist was crossing the highway without watching for on coming whicles.

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He said the cyclist sustained fracture on his leg and was taken to Abaji General Hospital.