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An eye witness said: "It happened in a flash as we were busy selling our products. We just heard the sound of the vehicle hitting the pillar of the proposed hotel under construction. By the time we rushed there, a woman, one of the passengers had died."

Commenting on the incident, an official of the State Emergency Management Authority (SEMA)

who would not want his name in print told our correspondent that they received an emergency call alerting them of the incident and immediately swung into action.

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