

TRUCK CRUSHES CYCLIST TO DEATH AT YABA JUNCTION



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An unidentified motorcyclist was on Friday night crushed to death by a hit and run truck driver near Yaba junction, on the Abuja-Lokoja highway.

A witness said the incident happened around 10:12 pm, when the cyclist was crossing to the next lane of the road and an unmarked trailer, which was on top speed from the Lokoja axis, ran over him.

He said the motorcycle rider was returning to Kuka village in Kwali Area Council, from Gada-Biyu.

The witness said the truck driver sped off after knocking the cyclist, who fell into a ditch by the road, adding that residents rushed to the scene and took the cyclist to a hospital at Gada-Biyu.

"The cyclist was later confirmed dead at the health centre, where he was taken to and someone came to identify him and his corpse was handed over to the relatives for burial," he said.

When contacted, Abaji Unit Commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), Moses Audu, said he was not aware of the incident, as it was not reported to the command.

In another incident, three persons sustained injuries in a motor accident which occurred in the early hours of Saturday morning near Manderegi village, along the Abuja-Lokoja highway.

A witness said the accident happened around 9:12 pm when a J5 Peugeot bus, loaded with kola nuts had a tyre burst and crashed into a ditch.

He said two male adults and one female who sustained injuries were taken to a hospital at Abaji by some sympathisers.

City News, which arrived the scene shortly after the accident, saw the bus conductor looking confused.

Reacting, Abaji Unit Commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), Moses Audu, said he was not aware of the accident but City News visited Abaji General Hospital and saw the three injured victims receiving treatment.

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