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Two die on Abuja-Lokoja road on Christmas Day

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Two persons have been reported killed in two separate accidents on the Abuja-Lokoja road on Christmas Day.

A middle- aged cyclist was crushed by a speeding vehicle in the morning at Sabon-Gari village, along road.

A witness said the accident happened around 11:00a.m. when a Sharon space bus with registration number KMC 41 ND, ran over the cyclist at a U-turn.

He said the deceased who was coming from the opposite direction from Gada-Biyu axis, made a U-turn suddenly and was ran over by the speeding bus.

Our reporter, who arrived the scene shortly after the incident, saw the corpse of the cyclist lying by the side of the road at the U-turn, while some sympathizers who later identified the victim placed calls to his relatives who later arrived the scene and evacuated the corpse.

The bus driver, who simply identified himself as Emeka, said he was travelling from Kano to Abia State, explaining that the cyclist suddenly made a U-turn and entered the road.

"In fact, before I could apply the brake, I suddenly saw the bike man in

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front of me, but see what has happened to me now? I was travelling home to go and prepare for my wedding which is coming up first week of January, 2016," he said amid tears.

When contacted, the Yangoji unit commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) Mr. Joseph Ezeh, confirmed the accident, saying the cyclist's corpse has been handed over to relatives for burial. He said the bus driver was handed over to the police at Kwali.

In the second incident, a middle-aged man was also crushed by a speeding vehicle at Abaji town, along the same road on Friday morning.

A witness said the accident happened when the deceased was crossing the road.

He said the remains of the deceased have been taken by relatives for burial in the area, after men of the FRSC came to the scene of the accident. The accident was also confirmed by the unit commander of the FRSC, Moses A. Audu.


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