

Trailer Kills Pregnant Woman In Oron

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Tragedy struck on Monday evening at the relatively quiet town of Oron, when a trailer conveying bag loads of cement rammed into a residential building, killing a pregnant woman as well as a man suspected to be a motorcyclist on the spot.

It was gathered that the truck with Registration Number, XA752 KMR, which was on a high speed lost control and derailed from its track before hitting a building located at No. 111 Oron Road,

Oron.

Apart from the death of the pregnant woman and the other victim, the accident left no fewer than eight other persons injured, including owners of the building.

A source, who claimed to be a step-son of the deceased woman, Mr. Andrew Isang, said that if not for the timely rescue effort by neighbours and passers-by, the survivors trapped in the rubbles would have bled to death before taking them to the General Hospital in Iquita, Oron.

At the General Hospital Iquita, the authorities admitted that two

corpses from the scene of the accident were deposited at the hospital's morgue, but denied having admitted any injured victim.

The hospital authorities observed that the injured ones may have been taken to private hospitals to receive urgent medical attention.

Commenting on the accident, the Divisional Traffic Officer (DTO), Divisional Police Headquarters in Oron, Mr. Moses Ali confirmed the story, stating that so far, investigations carried out by the police have revealed that no

injured person was taken to the General Hospital.

With regard to the where-about of the trailer driver, a source at the police station revealed that the driver who willingly handed over himself to the police in the area, had been transferred by the authorities in the Oron division to Uyo, for further investigations into the matter.

Meanwhile, it was gathered that some miscreants in the area took advantage of the situation to foment trouble before the timely intervention of the police brought the situation under control.

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