

# Coca-Cola Truck Crushes Man To Death In Minna

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**Minna** – Tragedy struck Wednesday morning in Minna, the Niger state capital, when a Coca Cola Bottling Company truck on motion crushed to death a motorcyclist who was earlier hit by a commercial tricycle operator along the same Bosso-Mobil Roundabout Link Road.

The incident, which occurred along the ever busy Bosso-Mobil highway, in front of Jolly Bread (old Bata shop) inside Minna town, led to the death of the motorcyclist on the spot. His corpse was torn into shreds and his motorcycle mangled by the Coca Cola truck.

An eye witness told INDEPENDENT that the deceased, whose name was given as Usman, was driving along the speed lane as he approached the Old Bata Shop and was hit by a commercial tricycle driver who had suddenly veered onto the road after dropping a passenger.

While wreathing in pain and confusion due to the impact of the collision from the tricycle which was said to have sent him tumbling onto the middle of the road, the Coca Cola truck, which was driving on the outer lane rammed onto the motorcyclist and killed him on the spot.

The front wheel of the truck was said to have crushed the man, smashing his skull into pieces while the rear tyres tore the man's mid-section and ripped his stomach open with his internal organs busted and scattered into different directions.

The death of Usman, who was said to have returned from the burial of his son in-law few days ago, attracted other motorists and passers-by who gathered to catch a glimpse of his mangled remains which were squeezed and flattened by the heavy tyres of the truck, left motorists on the busy road.

The accident soon caused heavy traffic build up on both sides of the Mobil-Bosso Road which is the major business district area of Minna metropolis where no fewer than four commercial banks, besides other private business concerns are located.

INDEPDENT also gathered from mourning family members at the scene of the accident that the man who is said to be from Edati Local Government Area had only last Monday lost his son in-law, a service man in the ongoing war against insurgents in Maiduguri, North-East Nigeria.

The deceased, INDEPDENT correspondent further learnt, was preparing to travel to Kaduna within the week to meet his daughter after the death of her husband (a soldier) only to be crushed to death by Coca Cola Bottling Company truck in Minna.

Late Usman's body parts picked from the scene of the accident was later conveyed to his elder brother's house at Mechanic village, Ketaren-Gwari, where it was later interred at about 2:30am in the afternoon amidst wailing by sympathizers.