

or measures to protect the environment adding that 240 hectares of land had been earmarked for planting of trees to be used for firewood.

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## ② **Auto Crash: 1 Killed As Truck Plunges Into Kaduna River**

The driver of a truck whose first name was given as Habila lost his life yesterday when he lost control of the vehicle and plunged into a river in Ungwa Maigero in Chikun local government area of Kaduna State.

According to an eyewitness, the truck with Abuja registration number, GWA 447 XA was carrying a water tanker, the driver attempted to dodge a motorcycle on the bridge lost control and plunged into the river. The driver died on the spot.

The eye witnesses who spoke to our correspondent said that the driver of the truck was over speeding and while trying to overtake the motorcycle on the bridge, lost control and plunged with the truck into the river breaking part of the bridge pavement.

"We saw the truck coming with speed and as soon as he got on top of the bridge, he tried over taking a motorcycle and because of the speed he suddenly lost control and the next thing we heard was a heavy sound only to see the head of the truck breaking part of the bridge into the river.

The driver died instantly, we managed to bring him out but he was already dead and the motorcycle man ran away, the witnesses confirmed.

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