

1 Dies As Car Plunges Into Canal In Bayelsa

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A 30-year-old man identified as Smart Oyabramoh has been confirmed dead after a vehicle driven by his friend Ebi Pere Agba ran into a canal along Gloryland Hospital Road, Opolo in Yenagoa, the Bayelsa State capital.

The incident happened around 12 midnight yesterday after the duo left a car wash at Berger junction where the driver was alleged to have drunk two bottles of Heineken while the deceased did not drink.

An eyewitness who lives near the canal, under anonymity, said the victim could have survived if the rescue team had seen him the moment the driver was rescued.

She said the vehicle was removed from the canal at 8 am by a tolling van, adding that the driver's phone was still in the vehicle when it was brought out.

She said, "I wanted to ease myself when I saw the vehicle coming. The next thing I heard was a strange sound. So, I called my husband that a vehicle has fallen in the canal. I went inside and put on my dress, started knocking at all my neighbours' doors before people came outside.