

Container-laden Truck Crushes Female Biker In Lagos

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A container-laden truck has crushed a yet-to-be identified female bike rider to death in Lagos.

The incident happened at about 6:15am on Monday morning at Sifax, inward Iganmu Bridge, Lagos.

According to a statement by the director, Public Affairs and Enlightenment Department of Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA), Taofiq Adebayo, the driver of the loaded containerised truck lost control due to over-speeding and fell on the female biker while descending Iganmu Bridge.

Adebayo further disclosed that preliminary investigations revealed that the truck driver lost control of the truck and fell on its side, crushing the biker.

“Early this morning, operatives of LASTMA and other emergency responders recovered the body of a female biker trapped under a loaded containerized truck in Lagos. The Special Adviser to the Governor, Hon. Sola Giwa, confirmed that the incident occurred at approximately 6:15 hours at Sifax, inward Iganmu Bridge, Lagos.

“Hon. Giwa stated that the driver of a loaded containerized truck lost control while in motion and the truck fell on a female biker while descending Iganmu Bridge.

“Preliminary investigations revealed that the truck driver, who was speeding, lost control and caused the truck to fall on the female biker,” Adebayo stated in the statement made available to LEADERSHIP.

He further stated that the driver of the containerised truck fled the scene upon realising the severity of the accident.

“Immediately after the incident, LASTMA personnel called in other emergency responders, including the LASEMA Response Unit (LRU), for a rescue operation,” Adebayo said.

He added that the deceased’s body was taken away by personnel of the Lagos State Ambulance Service (LASAMBUS), and the containerised truck was evacuated to clear the way for free vehicular movement on Iganmu Bridge.

“Police officers from Ijora Badia provided security during the rescue operation,” he added.

The LASTMA spokesperson, however, stated that Giwa expressed his condolences to the family of the deceased and warned truck drivers to adhere to speed limits both within and outside the state.

He also advised motorcycle operators, both commercial and private, to obey traffic rules and regulations as stipulated in the Lagos State Transport Sector Reform Law, 2018.