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Two die, one injured in okada crash

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Two persons were killed and one was injured when a commercial motorcyclist run into the culvert at Araromi Bus Stop on Lagos-Abeokuta Expressway last Tuesday night.

According to eyewitnesses, the motorcyclist took one-way because of the heavy traffic; but was unable to control his speed while pedestrians were crossing.

“He was trying to pave way for pedestrians crossing the expressway before he slipped. He and his passengers were seriously injured,” Yemi, an eyewitness said.

The passengers died before they reached the nearby Veta Hospital.

The hospital, *The Nation*, learnt refused to admit the dead and the injured.

Another eyewitness said the *Okada* rider was going to Abule-Egba from Oshodi when the accident happened.

Yemi described the incident as unfortunate, saying despite government’s effort to curb the menace of *Okada* riders; people are still wasting their lives through one-way route.

The bodies, he said, had been taken to the morgue; the injured rider is in hospital.

Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA) Public Relations Officer Bola Ajao decried the menace of Okada riders on that route especially during closing hours.

Lagos-Abeokuta expressway, she said, is among the 500 routes commercial motorcyclists are barred from plying under the Lagos Traffic Law.

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