Police officer, passenger crushed to death in Lagos crash



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A police officer, and passenger lost their lives yesterday when a 40-foot container truck overturned onto a commercial tricycle in which they were riding at Ijora Causeway, Lagos.

The truck has registration number XP 368 AKD and the tricycle has registration number KJA 364 QN.

According to the **Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA)**, the articulated truck lost control while the driver was maneuvering a bend, causing the container to topple onto the tricycle killing the passengers.

The remains of the officer were taken to a morgue in Yaba by security operatives, while the deceased female passenger's family retrieved her body.

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But, two others — including the tricycle operator — sustained severe leg fractures. They were rushed by the Lagos State Ambulance Service (LASAMBUS) to Jimsan Hospital, Gasikiya, Ijora, for treatment.

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The scene turned chaotic as angry bystanders attempted to set the truck ablaze, but police detachments from Badia, Trinity, and Kirikiri divisions restored order.

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LASTMA's General Manager, Mr. Olalekan Bakare-Oki, described the accident as "deeply grievous and most regrettable."

Bakare-Oki warned drivers against reckless maneuvering, particularly around bridges and congested roads.