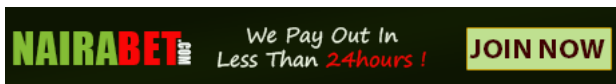


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A commercial motorcycle operator and a taxi driver have been reported dead while queueing up for petrol at different filling stations in Ilorin, Kwara State capital, at the weekend.

This is just as the persistent fuel scarcity in the state capital and environs got worsened at the weekend.

It was gathered that the two incidences occurred at different filling stations where the deceased had queued for fuel for several hours.

Nigerian Tribune gathered that the unidentified okada rider met his untimely death at Ogidi area of Ilorin, on Saturday, as he was crushed by an on-coming tipper lorry while trying to properly position himself on a queue at the filling station.

He was said to have died instantly due to fatal injury he sustained from the accident.

Policemen from Oloje divisional police station, it was gathered, later moved to the scene of the accident to evacuate the corpse.

The death of the taxi driver, identified as Daddy Mustapha of Isale Banni area of Ilorin, reportedly occurred in a circumstance described by many as mysterious.

It was gathered that the deceased, who was said to have been on the queue for several hours, was found dead shortly after buying fuel and could not drive his vehicle out of the filling station.

Anxious motorists who had queued behind him for several hours were said to have approached him only to find out that he was no longer breathing.

The deceased, it was gathered, had been buried according to Islamic rites.

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