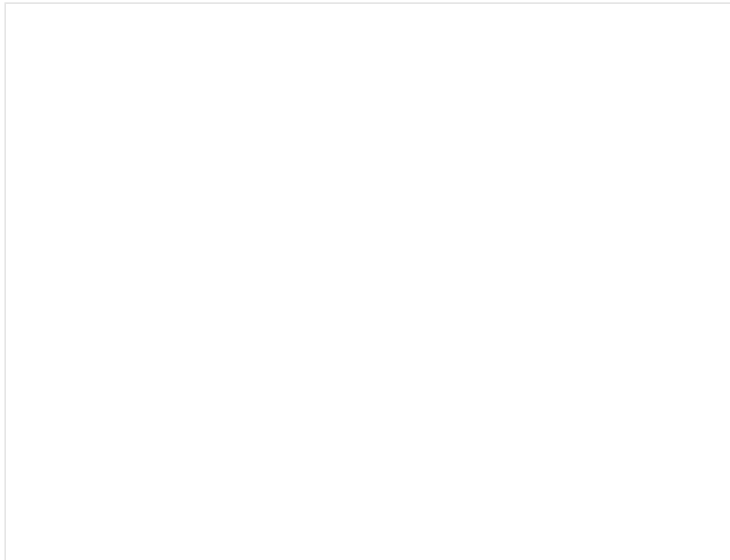


8-year-old girl killed by driver in Osun

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Tragedy struck on democracy day in Osogbo, capital of Osun State, when a suspected drunk man, who drove a black Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV), crushed a little girl to death around Capital Hotel area of the city.

Nigerian Tribune reliably gathered that the victim, who was about eight years old, was a daughter of a a road side female trader at Capital Hotel in Osogbo.

Credible sources informed Nigerian Tribune that the girl, whose name could not be ascertained as of the time of filing this report, died on the spot.

An eyewitness hinted that the man, who had his two children and wife in the car, reportedly drove out of the Capital Hotel and turned to the opposing side of the road where he rammed into the girl.

A Northern trader, who deals in all kinds of vegetables, identified as Mallam Nasir, said “I was standing close to the deceased while I wanted to purchase a voucher but shortly after I moved my feet, the reckless driver rammed in on the deceased.

He said, “I am very sure he was drunk yesterday. After the girl was crushed, the driver came out inquiring if he had killed someone. There was a woman in his car and two children but nothing happened to them.”

Nasir further explained that some policemen later arrived the scene and took the man to the station, while the remains of the little girl were evacuated to the Ladoke Akintola University Teaching Hospital (LAUTECH) mortuary in Osogbo.

However, the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) of Osun State Police command, Folasade Odoro, could not be reached for comment on the incident as several calls made to her cell phone failed to connect.

