

Fuel-laden tanker crushes Ede Poly student to death in Osun

OLUWOLE IGE - OSOGBO

TRAGEDY struck at Owode-Ede area of Osun State, on Thursday when

a fuel-laden articulated truck marked FKJ 246 XN Lagos, crushed a male student of Federal Polytechnic Ede, simply identified as Segun, to death.

Metro authoritatively gathered that the accident, which occurred in the early hours of Thursday, threw the area into confusion as sympathisers thronged the

scene to catch a glimpse of the mangled body of Segun.

The driver of the tanker was said to be driving against the traffic following

the rehabilitation works being carried out on Gbon-gan-Ibadan expressway at Owode-Ede area, which made the construction workers to divert traffic to one lane of the road.

Eyewitness informed **Metro** that Segun, who just left a food canteen after eating, attempted to cross the road to the other side when the truck crushed him.

According to another eyewitness, identified as Kunle Adebare, "the accident was terrible and shocking and I couldn't even stand the gory sight of the victim. The driver of the trailer should be blamed because he was speeding while plying the one way."

"Segun was coming from cafeteria where he went to eat and when he tried to cross the road; unknowingly to him that vehicles going to Osogbo had been

diverted to the road. After the truck crushed him, the driver failed to stop, having realised what had happened. He drove on but some people pursued him."

Angry youths joined others to pursue the tanker driver, while some other people set bonfire on the two lanes of the expressway to protest Segun's killing. The driver was reported not to have stopped until he got to Zone Eleven of the Nigeria Police, where he took refuge to avoid being lynched," Adebare marked.

However, one of the youths who ran after the driver told **Metro** that "when we got to the zone office, the police brutalised us and seized our motorcycles."

The intervention of some security personnel and traditional ruler of Owode-Ede, **Oba** Oyedepo Nur, calmed the aggrieved youths.

Oba Oyedepo, thereafter called on the Osun State government to erect speed breakers at Owode due market days and influx of people, in order to prevent recurrence of such incident.



The two NSCDC officials arrested in connection with oil bunkering in Bayelsa, during their parade in Abuja.

Police arrest NSCDC officers over alleged oil bunkering

CHRIS AGEMBU - ABUJA

TWO officials of the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC) attached to Critical Infrastructure Department, Bayelsa State Command, had been

No. LFA 797XS, DAF Reg. No. LFA668XB and DAF Reg. No. BGT286XA, all in police custody in Abuja.

Others are Mark Truck with Reg. No. RSH 711 ZZ in Police custody Warri, DAF Reg. No. MKA 970 YH

Also, a **Mitsubishi** patrol van belonging to the NSCDC, 350 litres of suspected illegally refined diesel in 25-litre jerry cans were also intercepted in Yenagoa.

The two suspects volunteered confessional state-

identified and arrested by SARS patrol team at Etche, Rivers State while the **Acura Jeep** with Reg No AFM 875 FN Rivers, recovered in the possession of

the two suspects, were two AK 47 rifles, 24 rounds of live ammunition, two expended ammunition shells and 50 political party cards/tags.

NDLEA nabs 2 with narcotics at Lagos airport