

# Truck kills woman in Onitsha

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A middle-aged woman, on Thursday morning was killed in a road accident that occurred around Coca Cola axis of the Onitsha/Awka expressway in Onitsha, Anambra State.

**Nigerian Tribune** learnt that the woman was knocked down by a truck while crossing the expressway.

The Public Education Officer of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) in Anambra State, Pascal Anigbo, who confirmed the incident in a statement, said the truck driver lost control of the vehicle while trying to avoid pedestrians crossing the expressway, but ran over the woman.

Anigbo said: "At about 9.05 a.m. on Thursday, a middle-aged woman lost her life while crossing the expressway in front of Coca-Cola, along Onitsha-Awka expressway in Onitsha.

"She was knocked down by a green-coloured DAF truck with registration number, USL 860 ZC.

"The driver of the truck lost control of the vehicle while trying to avoid pedestrians crossing the expressway, but unfortunately ran over the victim.

"A combined FRSC rescue team from Onitsha unit command and Upper-Iweka Outpost arrived the scene within five minutes of receiving a distress call on the incident.

"The body of the woman has been deposited at Toronto Hospital, while the vehicle was handed over to the police at Okpoko police station for further investigation."

Anigbo said the state sector commander, Andrew Kumapayi, had condoled with the family of the deceased.

"He equally warned drivers to shun every form of dangerous driving."