Truck driver crushes sleeping motor boy to death

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A motor boy was crushed to death on Sunday by the driver of a containerized truck in the Apapa area of Lagos State.

The truck driver was apprehended by operatives of the Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA) while attempting to flee the accident scene.

Adebayo Taofiq, the spokesperson for the traffic agency, confirmed the accident and the driver's arrest in a statement released on Sunday.

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Adebayo stated, "Operatives of the Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA) today apprehended a driver of a fully loaded containerized truck after crushing a motor boy to death by MTN inward Sunrise along Oshodi – Apapa Expressway."

He added, "Preliminary investigation revealed that the driver of the fully loaded containerized truck (T_1360LA) unknowingly crushed a motor boy who was sleeping under his truck while the driver was trying to move along with other loaded trucks going inward from Tin Can Port Gate, Apapa."

"Immediately after the unfortunate incident occurred and the motor boy was confirmed dead upon rushing to a nearby hospital, the truck driver took to his heels but was immediately apprehended by LASTMA officials led by Traffic Officer Adams Lateef 'Zebra' (Zone 13) Apapa."

The LASTMA spokesperson also noted that the truck driver was later handed over by LASTMA officials to policemen from the Trinity Police Division area of Apapa for further investigation.

The General Manager of LASTMA, Mr Bakare Oki, appealed to drivers to always check around their trucks to ensure nothing is underneath before embarking on any movement.

While expressing sympathy for the deceased's family, Mr Bakare Oki extended his condolences