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Pensioner crushed to death in Abuja



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Usman Wada, a pensioner from Zaria, Kaduna State, was on Wednesday crushed to death by a pick-up van while crossing a highway in Abuja.

The van, with registration number XD 575 GWA, reportedly rammed into the man when he was crossing the Nnamdi Azikiwe highway by the NICON Junction.

Witnesses also reported that a friend of the deceased, Dabo Lamido, who was similarly crossing the expressway when the accident occurred, narrowly escaped being killed by the vehicle.

Shortly after the accident, a team of FRSC officers, led by Mr. Godfrey Afemi, and a police constable, Ordia David, arrived at the scene and the corpse was carried in a FRSC ambulance to Maitama General Hospital's mortuary.

In an interview, Mr. Lamido said that he accompanied the deceased to Abuja from Zaria to rectify some anomalies in his gratuities. Late Wada retired from the Federal Ministry of Industry in 2005 and was not paid his gratuity until a couple of weeks ago when N120,000 was paid into his bank account.

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