Driver dies while defecating

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INTER-state bus drivers at Ojota Motor Park, Lagos, are still in shock over the death of one of their colleagues who reportedly gave up the ghost while excreting in the early hours of Saturday.

The deceased, simply identified as Pastor Osabuthen, was said to be a driver with a transport company (name withheld) with office in Lagos.

His bus with registration number SA 804 SUD, our correspondent learnt, plied Lagos-Benin route.

It was learnt that Osabuthen went to pass excreta under the Ojota bridge and he never came back alive.

It was gathered that his half-dressed lifeless body

was found lying under the bridge and beside the excreta believed to be his last.

Someone who was able to identify the corpse at about 7am informed other drivers at Ojota and after the deceased's colleagues confirmed his identity, a report was made at Ogudu Police Station.

Some policemen were sent to the scene. They examined the body, removed it and deposited it at the Lagos State General Hospital mortuary in Marina.

Spokesman for the Lagos State Police Command, Mr. Olubode Ojajuni, a superintendent of police, confirmed the incident to our correspondent on Monday.

According to Ojajuni, the police did not suspect any foul play, but the corpse was taken to the mortuary for autopsy.

The PPRO said one of the deceased's colleagues had already made a statement with the police, intimating to them information about the dead driver.

He said that it was necessary for the police to find out what food the deceased ate last, where he visited and who was/were with him before he went to pass the excreta.

Meanwhile, our correspondent gathered that authorities of the transport company, which Osabuthen worked for, were making plans to move the corpse to the deceased's village for burial.