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Death and pedestrian bridges

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In the past two weeks, two people were killed while trying to cross the road. The first person was one Oluwayemi Oguntimehin, who was knocked down by a hit-and-run driver around Gbagada. That happened two weeks ago.

Again, tragedy struck on Saturday at the Palmgrove Bus stop, after a young lady simply identified as Oluchi was killed by another hit-and-run driver.

She died while trying to cross the ever-busy Ikorodu Road, just a few inches away from a pedestrian bridge. The incident was said to have occurred around 8pm.

Some of the deaths on the highway are avoidable, but some residents prefer to dash across the road, even along the expressway.

Many times at Ojota, where there is a pedestrian bridge, *Lagos Pulse* has seen some residents who refuse to use the bridge, thus risking death by crossing the expressway.

However, there is the need for more pedestrian bridges around Lagos, due to the number of residents who reside in those areas, but who have to dash across roads every day.

Many of them fall under federal roads. The first is Berger Bus Stop, along the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway. One is already being built around Magodo-Alausa axis.

Residents believe that others should be built in some other major bus stops along Lagos-Abeokuta Expressway. These include Alakuko, Kollington (Kola), Meiran, Ijaiye, Ahmadiyah, and Mongoro.

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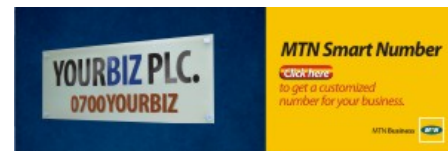
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