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No fewer than four persons were feared killed, while many vehicles were destroyed on Monday at the Dei-Dei Market, which serves a satellite town in the FCT, when a commercial motorcyclist allegedly stabbed five traders.

It was learnt that the stabbing was due to a motorcycle accident in which a woman was seriously injured.

PUNCH Metro gathered that the stabbing provoked a riot by traders who were angered by the turn of events.

Our correspondent was told that the incident started after the motorcyclist knocked down a woman who was walking along the road, prompting onlookers and sympathisers to berate the rider for his recklessness.

An eyewitness, who identified himself as Daniel, explained that the motorcyclist allegedly stabbed five of the people that were berating him, killing one of them instantly.

Three others were said to have died at the hospital and this led to a riot by traders, leading to destruction of many vehicles.

The violent protest attracted the attention of policemen who fired tear gas canisters to disperse the traders and restore peace.

Daniel said, "When the sympathisers started berating him over the reckless manner he rode the motorcycle, the *okada* man got angry, brought out a dagger and stabbed five people, one of whom died immediately. This led to a riot as traders and other people protested the incident."

The FCT Police Public Relations Officer, Altine Daniel, could not be reached for comments as calls to her phone indicated that it was not available. Also, a text message sent to her has yet to be replied to as of press time.

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