Dangote truck driver crushes own conductor to death

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Tragedy struck on the Lekki-Epe Expressway after the driver of a truck belonging to the Dangote Cement, identified as Ajani Yekini, crushed his own conductor, Mojeed Jubril, to death.

PUNCH Metro learnt that Jubril had slept under the truck before Yekini mounted the steering and drove off.

He was said to have climbed on his head, killing Jubril on the spot.

Policemen from the Elemoro division were said to have arrived to remove the corpse at the Frajend Coy end of the Lekki-Epe Expressway, where the incident happened.

A senior official of the Federal Road Safety Corps, Azubuike Onyemeh, said the conductor was killed around 10.30am.

He said, "The truck was left overnight at the spot by the driver. The conductor decided to sleep under it. By Wednesday morning, the driver, who was not aware that the man was sleeping there, just drove off. It was the cry of the man that caught his attention, but by then, it was too late, as the vehicle had run over him."

The police spokesperson, SP Dolapo Badmos, said policemen from the Elemoro division deposited the corpse in a morgue for autopsy, adding that the driver had been arrested.

She said, "At about 10.30am, a truck, driven by Yekini of Dangote Cement, Ibeshe, ran over his conductor, Jubril, aged 24. The victim died on the spot. The corpse has been deposited at the Mainland General Hospital morgue, Yaba, for autopsy."

In a related development, a yet-to-be identified woman has been killed by a driver at the Afari Ogun end of the International Airport Road, Oshodi.

It was gathered that the victim was walking beside the road when the driver, identified as Oluwole Ogunbona, hit her.

She was reportedly rushed to the Lagos University Teaching Hospital, Idi Araba, where she was confirmed dead.

The police spokesperson, Badmos, confirmed the incident, adding that investigations were ongoing.

She said, "The incident happened around 7.30pm on Wednesday. The driver knocked down the female pedestrian, and she was rushed to LUTH where she later died. We are investigating the case."

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