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Truck kills nursing mother, injures two

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The truck that killed the woman. Photo: Samuel Awoyinfa

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A nursing mother was crushed to death by a truck while crossing a road at Siun axis along Siun-Sagamu-Abeokuta Expressway on Saturday.

The accident was said to have been caused by the driver of the truck.

The vehicle, a Mercedes Actros truck with number plate PKP 464 XA, after crushing the woman said to be nursing a three-month-old baby, also hit two other persons, leaving them injured.

The Public Relations Officer, Ogun State Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Corps, Babatunde Akinbiyi, said the accident occurred in the morning.

He said, “The information gathered by our operatives at the scene of the accident indicated that the driver of the truck was speeding. After it crushed the woman, the truck hit two men who sustained injuries.”

Akinbiyi said the driver took to his heels immediately after the crash, while the deceased’s remains were handed over to her family because doctors at the Olabisi Onabanjo University Teaching Hospital, Sagamu, were on strike.

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Abeokuta, since the National Association of Residents Doctors went on strike last week.

The centre, according to the Medical Director, Prof. Adewale Musa, has 70 consultants, 60 house officers, and 10 doctors on compulsory national service.

The nurses were equally seen performing their duties, when our correspondent visited the centre.

Many of the patients at the medical centre had been moved to private hospitals in the state.

Prof. Musa said, “Though we are still attending to patients, it must be stated that there has been a reduction in the number of patients coming to the hospital.”

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