

# Driver crushes pregnant woman to death in Asaba

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A commercial bus driver on Saturday crushed a pregnant woman to death along the Onitsha-Asaba Expressway by Coker Junction, Asaba, the Delta State capital.

The incident occurred around 3.30pm when the pregnant woman, who was already on the median awaiting to cross to the other side of the road, got crushed by the bus.

It was learnt that the deceased was with another man on the same spot when the accident occurred but the man was said to have quickly escaped from the scene.

An eyewitness, a hawker, said the driver took to his heels when the accident occurred for fear of being lynched by a mob.

He said, “I was directly opposite the woman selling my goods at the Coker side of the road when the accident happened.

“The woman died immediately but the passengers of the bus survived. She was pregnant. They said the bus had a brake failure and the driver could no longer control it.”

As of 5pm on Saturday, officials of the Federal Road Safety Corp were on the ground clearing the wreckage of the bus from the road.

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