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Truck kills one, injures three in Ogun road crash

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A container-laden truck on Friday, crushed a motorcyclist to death and injured three passengers on the Idiroko-Sango road in the Aro-Odo/Ota Local Government Area of Ogun State.

The accident occured around 3pm at Oju-Ore area, Sango involved a Man-Diesel with registration number, XA733MGU and a motorcycle with registration number TTN377WJ.

The Public Relations Officer of the Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Corps, Babatunde Akinbiyi, confirmed the incident in a statement.

Akinbiyi explained that the accident occurred as a result of alleged recklessness on the part of the motorcyclist, who carried two passengers.

Akinbiyi identified the three injured persons as two passengers and a passer-by. He said the motorcyclist was trying to avoid a pothole after he had overtaken the truck but got confused when a passer-by suddenly crossed the lane.

Attempt to avoid hitting the passer-by made him fell and was hit and ran over by the truck.

Akinbiyi said, "According to an eyewitness, the motorcycle rider rode dangerously as he was trying to overtake a truck on the same lane.

"As he tried to manoeuvre at a pothole, a passerby suddenly crossed the road, and while trying to avoid hitting him and at the same time avoiding a big pothole, ran across the truck which immediately ran over him.

"Incidentally, two pillion riders at the back of the motorcycle escaped being hit as they jumped, sustaining various degrees of injury. They were rescued to the state hospital, Ota.

"The dead pillion rider was taken to the morgue of the Ifo General Hospital"