

# Motorcyclist die, passenger injured in Osun road accident

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A man whose identity could not be immediately ascertained on Saturday lost his life when his motorcycle hit a car along Osogbo/Ilobu road and his passenger was also injured.

The accident which occurred around Service Area, Osogbo, Osun State, caused tension as residents who rushed to the scene, deflated tyres of the vehicle involved and apprehended the driver.

While the injured passenger was rushed to an undisclosed hospital, the dead motorcyclist was still at the scene when our correspondent left the area.

Speaking on the accident, a resident, identified only as Florence, said the motorcyclist carrying the passenger was coming from the Ilobu end of the road, while the vehicle involved headed towards Ilobu from Osogbo.

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“We just heard a loud noise and rushed to the scene. The motorcycle hit the vehicle and the motorcyclist died instantly. The passenger was rushed to a hospital. Police operatives later came and went away with the driver of the car, and the vehicle involved,” she said.

Contacted, the state police spokesperson, Yemisi Opalola, said a life was lost to the accident.

Opalola further explained that the accident which involved a Toyota Camry occurred when a motorcyclist that wanted to overtake another motorcycle, lost control and in the process, hit a vehicle coming from the opposite direction.

“The rider died on the spot while his passenger sustained injury. The corpse and motorcycle were taken away by the family of the deceased, while the vehicle involved had been taken to the state traffic office for safe keeping,” Opalola said.