Tanker driver crushes 16-year-old Niger girl to death

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The Niger State Police Command has confirmed the death of a 16-year-old girl, Priscilla Galadima, who was crushed by a tanker in Minna, the state capital.

Spokesman, Niger State Police Command, Wasiu Abiodun, DSP Wasiu Abiodun, confirmed this to the News Agency of Nigeria in Minna on Thursday.

Abiodun said the deceased was a resident of the Barkin-Sale area, Minna who was trying to cross the road by Shiroro Roundabout when she met her unfortunate death.

The PPRO said, "Around 10am on Wednesday, a Mercedes Benz vehicle with number plate SUL 140 AJ driven by one Daniel Joshua, aged 35 years of Morris Minna, was coming from Mandela Road heading to Shiroro Roundabout.

"Somewhere along the way, he drove recklessly and scratched a Toyota Yaris vehicle with number plate RJA 375 AA driven by one Abubakar Yahaya of Okada Road.

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"The Mercedes vehicle reportedly refused to stop while the Toyota vehicle pursued the Benz for it to stop.

"The Benz, in the process, hit a pedestrian, Priscilla Galadima, aged 16 years of Barkin-Sale, who was trying to cross the road by Shiroro Roundabout."

Abiodun, who said the lady was hit in the opposite lane, added, "Unfortunately, an oncoming tanker trailer with number plate JMT 576 YR driven by one Ibrahim Lawal of Jembutu Yola, ran over the deceased."

He said that the deceased was taken to General Hospital Minna, where she was confirmed dead.

Abiodun added that the drivers were arrested and taken to Tudum Wada Police Division for further investigation, while the corpse was deposited at the Minna General Hospital's morgue, Minna.