

FRSC blames speeding as Anambra crash kills two

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Two persons were on Friday killed in a road accident at Azia junction, Ihiala, by Owerri-Ihiala Expressway, Anambra State.

City Round learnt that the lone accident involving an unidentified commercial driver of a Mercedes truck with registration number: XD131NSHU343RE occurred at about 9:30 am.

An eyewitness said the driver, who was at top speed, lost control and rammed the truck into a big gutter by the roadside, leading to the crash.

Confirming the accident, the acting Sector Public Education Officer of the Federal Road Safety Corps in the state, Margaret Onabe, said two people, comprising two male adults, were involved in the crash.

Onabe said, "The cause of the crash was attributed to speeding and loss of control. According to eyewitnesses, the driver was speeding, lost control, and rammed into a big gutter by the roadside.

"Two male adults (the driver and his conductor) were killed."

She noted that the dead victims were taken to Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital Mortuary, Ihiala, by good Samaritans before the arrival of the FRSC rescue team.

She also said that the FRSC rescue team removed the debris littered on the expressway, and restored normalcy in human and vehicular movement.

"The Sector Commander, Anambra State, Corps Adeoye Irelewuyi, sympathised with the family of the victims. He warned motorists to desist from speeding and drive within the safe speed limit they can control. Let's drive to stay alive; road safety is everyone's responsibility."



Scene of the accident

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spoke on behalf of the Assistant Inspector-General of Police in charge of the zone, Mr Olatoye Durosinmi, said that the arrest of the printer led to the arrest of the couple and the former soldier.

Ayuba said the team swung into action on February 3, invaded the hideout of the printer on Lagos Island, and arrested him, based on an intelligence report duly approved by the AIG.

The spokesperson said the police also confiscated a printing

machine allegedly used by the printer in printing security threads on counterfeit currencies and recovered a cash sum of 300 million CFA and N9m, both suspected to be counterfeit, from the printer.

According to Ayuba, the printer confessed to having been in currency counterfeiting for over three years and named those he supplied fake currencies for circulation.

"His confession led to the arrest of the couple, who are partners in the crime," she added.

She further stated that the confessions of the couple led to the arrest of the former soldier who was allegedly found to be in possession of some suspected counterfeit local and foreign currencies when his house was searched.

According to her, efforts are being intensified to apprehend fleeing members of the syndicate.

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kidnapping, armed robbery, banditry, among other crimes.

He said, "Troops also neutralised 13 armed criminals and arrested 271 suspects for offenses related to kidnapping, armed robbery, gun running, banditry, farm destruction, vandalism, and other sundry crimes."