

# Tipper crushes motorcyclist to death on Anambra road



•Scene of the incident

**Ikenna Obianeri, Awka**

**A** yet-to-be-identified motorcyclist was crushed to death by a fully loaded tipper along Nteje-Umueri junction by Awka-Onitsha Expressway, Anambra State, on Thursday.

It was gathered that the accident, which occurred at about 11:30, was between an unidentified driver of a commercial Mercedes Tipper with registration number XA158ZT and the driver of the motorcycle with no registration number.

The probable cause of the fatal road traffic crash was attributed to wrongful overtaking.

Residents along the area have lamented that the Nteje area of the ever-busy expressway has become notorious for road crashes, accountable for several losses of lives in recent times.

Eyewitness accounts said while the motorcycle rider was trying to overtake the tipper, it lost control, fell and the tipper rammed into him and crashed.

The sources said three male adults and one female adult were involved in the crash, while one male adult was killed, one female adult was injured and two male adults were rescued unhurt.

Confirming the accident, the acting Sector Public Education Officer, Federal Road Safety Corps, Margaret Onabe, said the dead victim had been taken away by family members to the Aguleri community.

Onabe said, "The accident was between an unidentified driver of a commercial Mercedes tipper with registration number XA158ZT and the driver of the motorcycle with no registration number.

"Before the arrival of the FRSC rescue team from RS5.3 Nteje to the scene, the DTO team Oyi Division was on the ground. The dead victim was taken away by family members to Aguleri.

"The driver abandoned his tipper fully loaded with sand and ran away. The police are making efforts to tow the tipper.

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Onabe said the FRSC Sector Commander in Anambra State, Joyce Nnenaya Alexander, commiserated with the family of the dead victim.

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