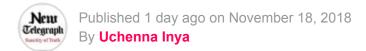
Tragic weekend: Five feared dead in auto crash, pregnant woman stabbed



About five persons were feared dead in an accident, involving a Toyota Forerunner Jeep and a Toyota Camry, which occurred yesterday along Akpoha/Afikpo highway in Afikpo North local government area of Ebonyi State. Other occupants of the vehicles sustained varying degrees of injuries; and had been taken to hospital for medical attention.

The two vehicles had head on collision. Attempts to contact the state's Public Relations Officer of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Monday Okoro for his cooment, proved futile as the PRO did not pick his calls. Meanwhile, a heavily pregnant woman whose name could not be immediately ascertained is currently battling for her dear life at the Federal Teaching Hospital, Abakaliki, following a brutal attack by unknown persons who left her completely naked with serious machete cuts on her neck.

The woman, in her 20s was found bleeding profusely and lying helpless until she was rescued by a team of policemen from Central Police Station, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State.

She was found inside a school farm belonging to Girls' High School, Azuiyiokwu in Abakaliki Local Government Area of Ebonyi State. Teachers of the school and students had gone to the farm last Friday afternoon for farming activities when the shockingly beheld the woman lying in her pool of blood and immediately alerted police who came and rescued her and took her to the hospital where she is currently being revived.