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**A** young man yesterday lost his life in an accident involving a Nissan Pathfinder and a Volkswagen bus near Owode Onirin on the Ikorodu Road, Lagos.

This was as fire gutted the popular spare parts market in the area and destroyed property worth millions of Naira.

It was learnt that the accident occurred about 11am when the Pathfinder, with registration number KTU 92 BB, rammed into a male adult pedestrian and also hit the Volkswagen marked GGE 838 XT, which had stopped to pick passengers.

The Director-General of the Lagos State Emergency Management Agency (LASEMA), Dr Femi-Oke Osanyintolu, said the agency responded to the incident after distress calls were received via the emergency help lines.

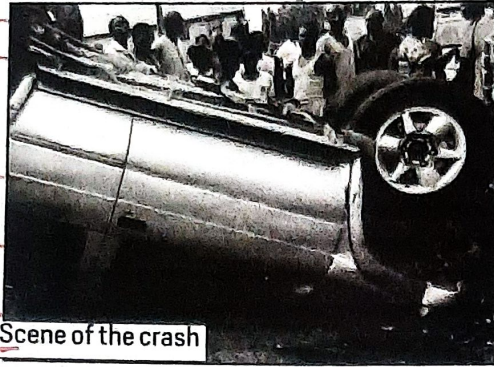
He said: "On arrival, it was discovered that a collision had occurred between a gold colour Nissan Pathfinder with registration number KTU 92 BB and a blue colour Volkswagen Vanagon bus with registration number GGE 838 XT.

"The Nissan Pathfinder 'Jeep' ran into a male adult pedestrian and also hit the Volkswagen which had stopped to pick up passengers.

"Unfortunately, the adult male pedestrian lost his life on impact while the drivers of both vehicles appear to be

# One dies in Lagos auto crash

## ● Fire razes spare parts' market



Scene of the crash

unhurt."

The LASEMA boss, however, said that the remains of the victim were claimed by the relatives during the combined efforts of the agency, Lagos Neighborhood Safety Corps

(LSNC) and the Nigeria Police.

Speaking on the market inferno, Oke-Osanyintolu said the agency was alerted to the incident by distress calls to the emergency helpline at 11pm on Saturday and immediately

activated its response plan.

He added that on arrival at the scene, it was discovered that a section of the market selling spare parts was already engulfed by the inferno.



The fire incident

## Two men violate 16-year-old mentally-challenged girl in Bauchi

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**P**olice have arrested two people for allegedly defiling a 16-year-old mentally-challenged girl at Azare town in Katagum Local Government Area of Bauchi State.

The police also arrested a man, Godiya Ishaku, who allegedly induced an 18-year-old girl, identified as Blessing, took her to an uncompleted building, injured her hand with a knife and raped her. This occurred in the Dass Local Government Area.

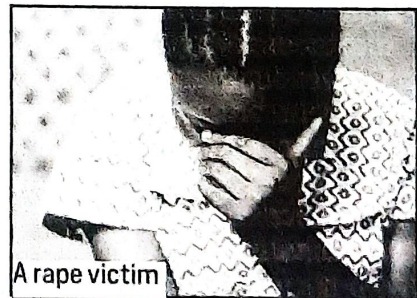
The state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), SP Ahmed Wakil, disclosed this in a statement in Bauchi.

Wakil said the father of the first victim, Muhammad Abubakar (50), aged of Tattari Ali Quarters, Azare, reported that Kabiru Nuhu (20) and Ado Auwal (19) of same address conspired and had unlawful carnal knowledge of his 16-year-old mentally-challenged in an uncompleted building.

The PPRO said that on receipt of the report, a team of detectives was drafted to the scene, the victim was rushed to the General Hospital, Azare, while the suspects were

arrested.

He said: "During interrogation, the suspects made voluntary confessional statements admitting to having committed the offence. The case has been transferred to the State Criminal Investigations and Intelligence Department (SCIID) for discreet investigation and prosecution. After which the suspects will be charged."



A rape victim