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At least one person lost his life and five others were seriously injured in an auto crash that occurred, weekend, at Ikotun area of Lagos State. The incident happened at about 8 a.m on Sunday, after a Toyota Camry car with number plate LA 02 FST suddenly veered off its lane and ran into a commercial bus.

Eye witnesses said the bus conductor who was flung out in the process, would have been rammed over by oncoming vehicle but for the swift intervention of some sympathisers who took him away from the road.

In their confusion, passengers in the commercial bus with number plate XC 102 KJA scurried out of the bus from different outlets. Five of them said to have sustained varying degrees of injury were reportedly rushed to the hospital for treatment.

But the bus driver identified as Muniru Opakunle was not so lucky as he reportedly died on the way to the hospital.

His remains, according to the Lagos State Police Public Relations Officer, Mr Frank Mba, had been deposited in the mortuary.

In another development, the Police, yesterday, said they had arrested the suspect who, weekend, allegedly stabbed a 22-year-old man to death during a fight at the densely populated Ajegunle area of Lagos.

The deceased identified simply as Anayo, met his death during a scuffle with one Afam, the cause of which was unknown.

The late Anayo's shout for help attracted tenants of number 17, Nasamu Street, at about 8 p.m on Sunday, who to their bewilderment, met him in the pool of his own blood with a knife thrust into his stomach. Effort to save his life failed as he reportedly gave up the ghost before reaching the hospital.

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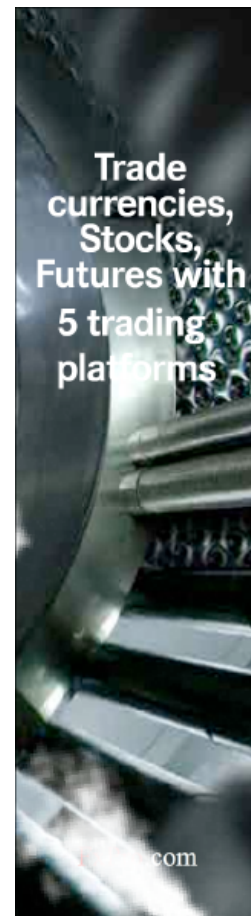
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