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3 die in Lagos auto crashes

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LAGOS — THREE per sons, among whom was a two-year-old baby, yesterday, lost their lives in separate motor accidents in Lagos metropolis.

The incident which claimed the life of the two-year-old baby identified as Abimbola Agbaje and that of another unidentified middle-aged man, occurred at Eputu, in

Ibeiu-Lekki area of the state.

Time was 11 a.m.

Report said little Abimbola was strapped at her mother's back, but while the mother, Mrs Agbaje, was about to cross the road with other pedestrians, a vehicle which apparently had a break failure veered off its lane.

As the pedestrians scurried to avoid being hit by the vehicle, little Abimbola, according to eye witnesses, fell from her mother's back.

Unfortunately, the vehicle

reportedly ran over the baby and another man. While the unidentified pedestrian was said to have died at the spot, little Abimbola reportedly died moment after reaching the hospital.

Relatedly, a female pedestrian was also crushed by a Mercedes Benz truck yesterday at Berliet bus-stop along the Oshodi/Apapa expressway. The unidentified victim, whom eyewitness described as a bean cake seller, was also at the verge of crossing to the other side of the road when the truck with number plate XC 392 ATN ran over her, killing her on the spot.

An angry mob protesting the death of the woman was at the verge of setting the truck and its driver ablaze when policemen from Ilasamaja division who were on patrol, saved the situation.

However, the Lagos State Police Public Relations Officer, Mr Frank Mba, confirmed the incidence.