



Nigeria: Tragic Road Mishap - Police Orderly Crushes Inspector

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Makurdi — A police Inspector attached to the Benue State Police Command was, yesterday, morning killed by his colleague in a tragic road mishap, in Makurdi, Benue State capital.

Sunday Vanguard gathered from an eyewitness, that the deceased met his untimely death along Atiku Abubakar Way, at about 8am, while on his way to work on a motorbike.

He was crushed to death by a Peugeot 406, marked KAL 720 AA, belonging to Katsina/Ala local government.

The driver of the car was identified as a police orderly attached to Katsina/Ala local government council chairman.

"We were all busy carrying out our monthly environment sanitation, when suddenly we saw the 406 at top speed heading towards the Government House roundabout," an eye witness said, while narrating the sad incident..

"We suddenly saw the 406 run over a motorbike and the rider, an armed police inspector, who was coming from the opposite direction at a road junction. "

We all dashed to the scene only to discover that the bike rider was dead while the driver of the car which jumped over a big gutter and pedestrian sidewalk and landed on the perimeter fence of the Deputy Governor's guest house, was also a police man."

"We hurriedly called the police and the Senior Special Assistant to the Governor on Public Utilities, Mr. Gadaffi Asemanya, who rescued the driver from the badly damaged car, and also rushed the bike rider to the hospital."

When contacted, Asemanya declined comments on the accident, but lamented the reckless manner motorists ply the roads in Makurdi, killing road users and destroying public utilities.

Benue State Police Public Relations Officer, PPRO, Superintendent Daniel Ezeala, could not be reached for comments, but a police source told Sunday Vanguard that the police were aware of the accident and had already commenced investigations into the matter.

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