

# Truck driver docked over death of 4-year-old boy

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**L**AGOS— A 26-year-old truck driver, Victor Okorie, who allegedly drove recklessly and caused the death of a four-year-old boy, Godfery Obiabo, was yesterday arraigned before a Lagos Magistrates' Court, sitting at Ebut-Metta, for manslaughter.

The defendant, whose address was not given, is standing trial on a three-count charge, bordering on manslaughter, reckless driving and failure to produce a driver's license preferred against him by the police.

The prosecutor, Inspector Olatunde Kehinde, told the court that the incident occurred on February 26, 2021, at about 1:30pm, at 11, Thomas Street, Ebute-Metta West.

He said that Okorie, being the driver in charge of one Toyota Matrix, with number plate SMK 687GL, drove the same vehicle and caused the death of one Godfery Obiabo, a male four-year-old.

The defendant pleaded not guilty to the charge.

Magistrate Mrs O. A. Oshoniyi granted him bail in the sum of N500,000 with two sureties in like sum.

Oshoniyi, adjourned the case to April 12, 2021, for mention.