

One dead, 5 injured as vehicle rams into shops in Lagos

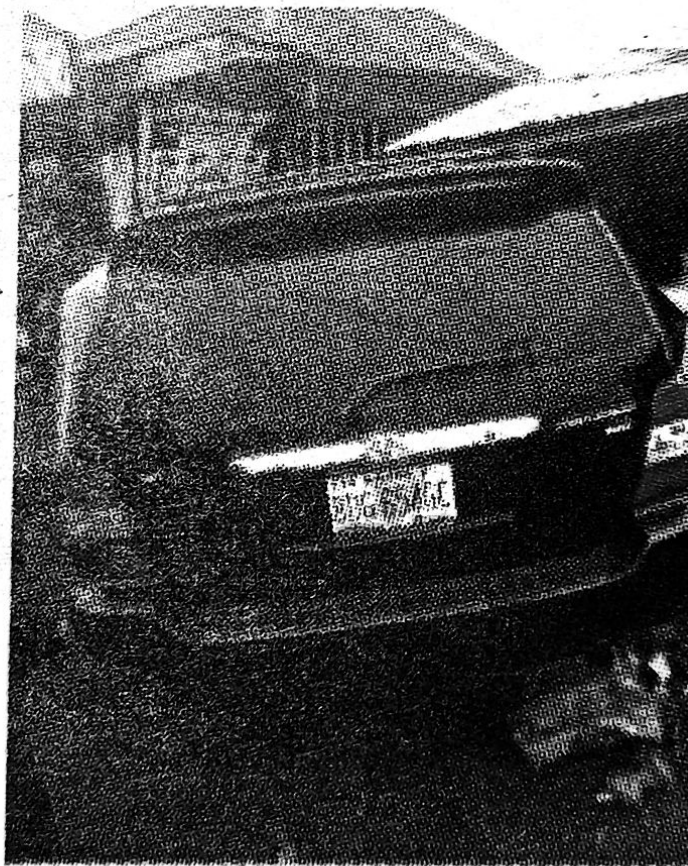
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A vehicle rammed into some shops at Ajegunle area of Alagbado, killing a trader, yesterday.

Doctors were said to be battling to resuscitate five other victims who were rushed to the General Hospital, Ota, Ogun State.

Report said the vehicle, a black Toyota Highlander with number plate, BDG 654 DC, driven by one Akinola Sulaimon, was moving inward Kola on the Abeokuta-Lagos expressway, when it suddenly veered off its lane and rammed into some shops at Amje bus-top.

One of the shop owners,



Simisola Abedoye, died on the spot.

The Lagos State Police Public Relations Officer, CSP

Adekunle Ajisebutu, who confirmed the incident, said it occurred at about 3pm and that the driver had been arrested while efforts were on to recover his vehicle.

Ajisebutu said: "The injured victims were immediately taken to the General Hospital, Ota, Ogun State, where they are currently receiving treatment. Body of the deceased has been deposited at the morgue of the same hospital.

"The Commissioner of Police, Abiodun Alabi, has directed that a speedy but thorough investigation into the accident be carried out, even as he expressed condolence to the family of the deceased."