

condolence visit to his family.

3 Container truck falls, crushes cart pusher to death in Lagos

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LAGOS—Operatives of the Lagos State Traffic Management Authority, LASTMA, yesterday recovered the remains of a cart pusher trapped under a fallen container at Goye by UBA inward Dopemu area of Lagos State.

A LASTMA officer, Badmus Abdul-Akeem, Zone 32, Dopemu-Akowonjo, who led the rescue team said the fallen container truck fully loaded with concrete stones fell on a cart pusher, who died instantly.

According to Abdul-Akeem, preliminary investigation revealed that the driver of the container lost concentration while dragging road on top speed with another trailer before falling off the road, blocking the entire Bus Rapid Transit, BRT, corridor inward Dopemu.

He confirmed that while the driver of the fallen truck ran away, LASTMA officers retrieved a photocopy of his driver's licence at the accident scene.

According to Abdul-Akeem, "after noticing a trapped body underneath a fallen container, we called the LASEMA Response Unit, LRU, and policemen from Gowon Divisional Police Headquarters for immediate rescue operations and investigations.

"While LASEMA Response Unit, LRU, evacuated the fallen container off the BRT corridor, the recovered dead body was handed over to members of the Hausa community around Dopemu area after they mobilised themselves to the scene of the accident with dangerous weapons."

General Manager of LASTMA, Bolaji Oreagba, while expressing condolences with the family of the deceased, urged truck drivers and other motoring public to always adhere strictly to safety standard while driving on highways across the state.

He maintained that speed limit road signs were erected to guide truck drivers and other motoring public on speed limitations across the state.