

Mother Of A Five-day-old Baby Killed In Accident At Beluran

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BELURAN, March 4 (Bernama) -- A woman, who had just given birth to a baby girl five days ago, is among three victims who were killed in a road accident in Kilometer 59, Jalan Beluran - Telupid, today.

Beluran Police chief Supt Sivanathan Velautham said the incident occurred at 2.15 pm when the victim's car collided with a four-wheel-drive vehicle.

"The three victims were the driver of the car, Ridzuan Basnu, 30, his wife, Noorlilah Masli, 25, and Gaya Gudang, 50, (Ridzuan's mother), all of whom died at the scene.

"Three other passengers in the car sustained severe injuries, namely five-day-old baby girl, Noorlilah Ridzuan (rpt: Noorlilah), four-year-old Ahmad Kidam and Mohamad Hazawan Masli (younger brother to Noorlilah Masli)," he told Bernama, here today.

They were heading back to their home in Kampung Lidong after Noorlilah delivered her baby girl in Beluran Hospital, Sivanathan said.

Initial investigations at the scene found that the driver of the four-wheel drive vehicle, which was from Telupid, lost control of the vehicle and collided head-on with the car, he said.

Sivanathan said both vehicles were badly damaged in the accident, the front of the four-wheel-drive vehicle was damaged while the car overturned after having veered over the left side of the road.

Meanwhile, the 30-year-old male driver of the four-wheel drive, and a 25-year-old woman passenger only sustained minor injuries.

Sivanathan said the driver of the four-wheel drive vehicle was arrested for further investigation and the case was being investigated under Section 41(1) of the Road Transport Act 1987 for reckless driving.

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