

Trailer crushes mother, others to death

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IT was a gory sight in Ibadan on Wednesday afternoon as a moving trailer loaded with hundreds of bags of flour rammed into residential buildings along the popular Born Photo area of Gege, in

the Oyo State capital killing no fewer than four people several others left with varied degrees of injuries.

People resorted to weeping and wailing while commercial and social activities in the Agbeni business district were disrupted as the sad news filtered. Most

traders left their wares and rushed to the scene of the accident to ascertain the gravity of the loss.

Even though the casualty figure could not be immediately ascertained, eyewitness accounts put the number of those dead to as high as ten with several people critically injured.

All the injured were said to have been rushed to the University College Hospital (UCH), Ibadan for medical attention just as rescue workers joined a detachment of police team from the Mapo Police station in towing the affected vehicles, including the trailer head to the station, to avert another disaster at the scene.

On the casualty list was a middle aged woman who was said to be returning from Adeoyo Yemetu, Hospital where she has gone to seek treatment for her child when she met her untimely death. The child, however survived while the mother was crushed to death by the trailer.

It was reliably gathered that the fast moving trailer lost its control from the hilly road leading to Mapo and rammed into shops and residential buildings as well as some other vehicles on the road.

About five shops and four residential buildings were affected in the accident which damaged no fewer than eight cars in the process.

Confirming the incident, the Police Public Relation Officer (PPRO) for the Oyo State Police Command, DSP Bisi Okuwobi however put the casualty figure at one.

Murder: Lawmakers summon police commissioner

BAUCHI State House of Assembly on Tuesday summoned the Commissioner of Police, Alhaji Yusuf Kafur, over the killing of two SS III students in Bauchi metropolis on May 20.

The House unanimously resolved to invite the police boss to explain the circumstances that led to the death of the two students during a riot at the Government Day Secondary School, Wayar Makafi, Bauchi.

The *News Agency of Nigeria* (NAN) reports that the decision followed the adoption of a motion moved by Alhaji Aminu Tukur (ANPP-Lere/Bula constituency), requesting the House to investigate the incident.

Tukur said the commissioner should explain police involvement and measures adopted to contain the situation and find a lasting solution to the incessant students

He advised the legislators to pay a condolence visit to the families of the slain students.

In his contribution, Alhaji Jubril Adamu (ANPP-Zungur/Galambi constituency), called for a thorough investigation into the riot, to unravel the cause of the students' death.

The two students lost their lives in a riot, when hundreds of them staged a demonstration to protest alleged substitution of the names of accredited students with external ones, in the ongoing NECO examination.

The House has also commenced deliberations on the bills for the establishment of the State University, Debt Management Agency and the prohibition of illegal dealings in fertilisers.

All the three bills passed through first