

Mararraba auto crash kills two

Two men were yesterday killed in an accident involving a motorcycle and a tipper truck in Mararraba, on the outskirts of Abuja.

The incident occurred on Aso road. According to eyewitnesses, the motorcyclist attempted to overtake the heavy but was overrun by it.

An eyewitness confirmed that both men died on the spot and were taken to the mortuary by the police.

When *Daily Trust* visited the Motor Traffic Department (MTD) of the Nigerian Police in Mararraba, the officer in charge confirmed the incident, saying, "The corpses have been removed and deposited in the general hospital.

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The officer however declined further comments on the matter. *Daily Trust* investigation revealed that the rate of accidents involving motorcycles in the area is on the increase especially since the ban on okada riders in Abuja City.

A trader, Chukwudi said: "You know since all the Okadas in Abuja were told to leave the city, the pressure on Mararraba has increased and that has brought increase in accident rate."

He said there was an accident in the area every other day which has turned to a source of concern to residents and authorities alike.