

Three trapped to death as trucks collide in Kwali

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THREE persons were in the early hours of yesterday trapped to death when two trucks collided at Kwali market junction, along Abuja-Lokoja road.

Our reporter learnt from the scene of the incident that four others that sustained various degrees of injuries were rushed to a hospital by officials of the Yangoji unit command of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC).

A witness said the accident which happened around 7 a.m, involved three vehicles that include a Volkswagen Golf with registration number XA 717 RBC, Mercedes Benz truck with registration number XA 968 JJT and a Daf trailer with registration number KJA 129 XB.

He said the trailer which was coming from Lokoja axis on top speed, veered off its lane after it overtook another vehicle.

He said the trailer collided with the 911 Mercedes Benz, and trapped three persons to death on the spot.

“Both the Daf trailer driver and other person seating beside him as well as driver of the Mercedes Benz truck were trapped to death while the Golf car hit the truck from behind,” he said.

Our reporter, who visited the scene few minutes after the accident, observed as FRSC officials, police and men of the fire service were struggling to remove the trapped body of one of the occupants of the Daf trailer.

Yangoji FRSC unit commander, Austine Chukwudi Okeke, confirmed the death of three persons out of ten people that were involved in the crash, adding that four others that sustained injuries were from the Golf car.

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He said corpses of the dead persons have been taken to University of Abuja Teaching Hospital morgue at Gwagwalada while obstruction caused by the accident was immediately cleared.