

# 4 killed in Gada-Biyu auto crash on New Year's eve

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Four persons, including a female, have lost their lives on Tuesday night, few hours before the New Year, in a fatal motor accident which occurred at Gada-Biyu village, along the Abuja-Lokoja highway, Abuja.

An eyewitness, Rabilu Usman, informed *City News* that the accident occurred at about 9:21 p.m. when a Dangote Foton

truck with registration number XA 516 GWW loaded with cement coming from Lokoja suddenly rammed into a Sino truck with registration number AKD 917 XG.

The eyewitness said the driver of the Dangote truck hit one of the trucks parked by the roadside, killing four persons on board. He said members of the rescue team from the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) who later

got to the scene of the accident, took the corpses to the hospital.

When our reporter visited the scene of the accident yesterday, sympathizers were seen gathered around the damaged Dangote truck with its contents flung inside the drainage along the road. The other truck was loaded with empty crates of soft drinks.

When contacted, Yangoji Unit Commander of the FRSC, Austine Chukwudi Okeke,

confirmed the accident. He said four people, including a female passenger, lost their lives in the accident.

"The corpses have been deposited at Kwali General Hospital morgue," he added.

He disclosed that three persons were injured in another accident which occurred on Monday evening, near Yangoji village, along Abuja-Lokoja road.

He said the accident which occurred at about 6:48 p.m., involved a Nissan vehicle with registration number XC 619 ABC. The accident, he explained, happened after one of the front tyres of the vehicle busted, forcing the driver to lose control and fell into a ditch.

"The three injured passengers were taken to Kwali General Hospital for medical attention," he said.

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