Truck kills 2 in Nasarawa

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A truck loaded with perishable food items yesterday lost control and crashed into a faulted trailer that was parked along Akwanga/Keffi road, Nasarawa State, killing a driver and conductor.

The incident happened at 8:30 am few meters away from Mopol training ground in Akwanga Local Government Area of the state.

A witness said the bodies of the victims trapped in between the two vehicles could not be removed for several hours until the arrival of Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) officers in Akwanga.

Confirming the accident, the Assistant Corps Commander of FRSC, Akwanga, Bishop

Agborie, said five other persons sustained varying degrees of injuries in the accident.

"The driver of the truck and one of the conductors died on the spot while the remaining five persons who were occupants of the truck sustained various degrees of injuries and were rushed to General Hospital, Akwanga for medical attention," he said.

He said preliminary investigation showed that the truck coming from Jos, the Plateau state capital had a break failure while descending down the hill of Hindehu Mopol training ground at a bend when it ran into the trailer that was packed.

He said families of the deceased have taken the bodies away for burial.