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Five killed in Ibadan road mishaps

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TRAGEDY again struck in Ibadan, the Oyo State capital yesterday as motor accidents in two separate areas within the ancient city claimed the lives of five people while several others sustained injuries.

The incident, which happened about 48 hours after similar multiple accidents occurred in the ancient city, also led to the damage of 11 vehicles.

One of the accidents occurred on Wednesday

evening along Ojoo-Moniya road when a trailer with registration number XD 159 BDJ, fully loaded with petroleum product, as a result of brake failure, lost control and hit two commercial vehicles with registration number XY 912 AGL and GA985 LSR.

Confirming the incident, the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) Moniya Unit Commander, Adebayo Francis, explained that the trailer climbed on the commercial buses, noting that though the four victims did not die at the spot, they later died before any medical attention could reach

them.

The FRSC boss disclosed that his officials were not able to get to the scene of the incident because of the heavy traffic caused by the accident.

The second accident occurred along M.K.O. Abiola Way (former Ring Road) at Akintoba Bus stop when a trailer loaded with petroleum product lost control due to brake failure and hit about 11 vehicles as the driver battled to control the vehicle.

One of the victims was the conductor of the trailer who was said to have jumped down from the vehicle trying

to halt the vehicle, but in the process had his head smashed by the trailer.

At the scene, part of his brain and blood stains were seen on the ground, while policemen, officials of the Nigerian Security and Civil Defence and Corps strove to control traffic, whilst efforts were being made to take the trailer to police station.

Sympathisers who besieged the scene, lamented the menace of long vehicle drivers on the roads and called on the government to find means of reducing their numbers on the highways.

Kwara Sharia Court wants judge's attackers caught

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KWARA State Sharia Court of Appeal has asked security agencies in the state to ensure the arrest of the attackers of one of its judges, Salihu Mohammad, who was shot at his residence in Ilorin about two weeks ago.

The court made the demand in a statement signed by its chief registrar, Abdullateef Kamaldeen. The court said: "We urge the security agencies to work harder so the perpetrator(s) would be arrested."

It described the attack on the