## One Dies, Many Injured As Dangote Trailer Crushes Vehicles, Bikes In Ondo

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**Akure** – There was pandemonium in Ikare-Akoko on Tuesday as a trailer belonging to Dangote Company crushed three vehicles and two motorbike riders in the heart of the town.

The driver of the truck was said to have lost control of the vehicle when the brake failed and the two commercial motorbike riders (Okada) were said to have trapped under the trailer.

One of the people involved in the accident died instantly, while several others sustained varying degrees of injuries.

The victims were rushed to the emergency section of State Specialist Hospital, Ikare-Akoko for immediate medical attention.

An angry mob was said to have set ablaze the trailer involved in the accident and another one belonging to the same company.

One of the victims of the accident who was trapped in a Toyota car and had passed out, was rescued by the men of Federal Roads Safety Corps(FRSC) and volunteers.

- Sources revealed that the accident caused serious traffic James from Jubilee Road to Ilepa, leading to diversion of vehicles.
- The accident occurred at First Bank, Jubilee area of the town, which forced the FRSC officials to divert traffic from Jubilee to Eshe to Okela.
- Mr. Yinka Akande, the Ikare-Akoko Unit Commander of FRSC, ascribed the accident to brake failure.
- He said the brake of the trailer belonging to the Dangote group failed and in the process, the driver lost control of the vehicle.
- He, however, charged motorists to avoid over speeding and ensure their vehicles are in proper condition before hitting the highway, which he noted would prevent avoidable accident.
- Akande confirmed that only one among several persons involved in the accident died.
- Dr. Wale Oguntuase, Chief Medical Director (CMD) of Ikare State Specialists Hospital, confirmed that victims of the accident were brought to the hospital by the men of FRSC for treatment.
- He disclosed that a number of the victims brought to the hospital, who were in critical conditions, were referred to Federal Medical Centre, Owo for further treatment.