

ACCIDENT: Trailer Runs Into Pupils, Kills 10

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Tragedy yesterday hit Army Day School in Jikoko, Mpape, a suburb of Abuja, as caterpillar heavy duty vehicle crashed into pupils in the school, killing 10 on the spot.

The students were said to be receiving lectures when the incident happened at about 9 am yesterday.

A mother was said to have fainted when she heard the news as her two children were said to be among the dead while her six-year-old daughter, who suffered heavy casualty, was rushed to the emergency unit of Maitama General Hospital.

The girl, who was unconscious when she

was rushed to the hospital, was said to have lost her fingers to the accident and her two knees broken by the heavy duty vehicle..

Speaking to our correspondent, one of the eye witnesses, Tosin Ayomide told LEADERSHIP that the presence of the heavy duty vehicle was baffling given the fact that the school is an open field.

He said given the impact of the accident, the students, including the ones that died, had to be dug from the ground where they were rammed into, which explained the dust and sand that covered the casualty when she was brought to the hospital.

He told LEADERSHIP that the driver immediately fled the scene of the accident.