

Trailer crashes into five shops in Jos

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- Gas cylinders stored among shops

A trailer laden with goods in Jos, the Plateau State capital, has destroyed five shops and a bedroom in Dadin Kowa area of the city.

The vehicle, with registration number (Abuja) XR816ABJ, reportedly lost control and crossed to the other side of the road before crashing into the shops and the bedroom.

It was learnt that another shop near those destroyed had over 120 refilled gas cylinders.

The residents noted that had the trailer entered the cylinder shop, there might have been multiple explosions in the area.

One of the shop owners, Esther Mathew said: "If the accident had affected the gas cylinder shops, the pressure would have caused the explosions of the cylinders and would have caused a major disaster to residents."

Another resident, Hanatu Musa said: "The accident caused serious damage to property. The human casualties would have been high. But we thank God for his mercy."

Besides the shops, a car parked in the compound and household items were also destroyed. The residents were in church when the accident occurred.

The accident occurred a day after last Saturday's bomb blasts at television viewing centers on Bauchi Ring Road in Jos North Local Government Area of the state.

Four people died and about 25 others injured.

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