

Youths protest as trailer kills man in own home

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Aggrieved youths in Iwaro-Oka, Akoko Southwest Local Government Area of Ondo State, yesterday barricaded the busy Oka-Akoko-Abuja Road during a protest against incessant accidents on the highway.

A trailer reportedly lost control at Oke-Maria, killing a man, Sunday Mogaji, in his house.

It was learnt that his vehicle in the house and other valuables were destroyed and many people were injured.

Mogaji's death was said to have irked the youths, who poured onto the streets for the protest.

They blocked the road, preventing motorists from moving.

A youth leader, Idowu Komolafe, said: "We are not happy with the daily road mishaps at Oke-Maria. Many people have died and there seems to be no remedy.

"We have been pleading with the authorities to find solutions to the accidents, but no avail.

"It is unfortunate that many innocent lives have been wasted. Youths are mostly the victims. We cannot continue like this."

The Olubaka of Oka-Akoko, Oba Adebori Adeleye, commiserated with the victims.

The monarch urged relevant agencies to end accidents in the area.

The Unit Commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), Jimoh Basiru, confirmed that one person died.

He said the victim's body had been deposited at the Ikare-Akoko Specialist Hospital.

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