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Two die in Ondo road crash

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Two persons were feared dead yesterday when two trailers had a head-on collision on the dreaded "Oke Maria" in Oka-Akoko, headquarters of Akoko South West Local Government Area of Ondo State.

Eyewitness said the ever-busy Abuja road was blocked for several hours, leading to diversion of traffic to Okene-Ayere-Akunu-Ajowa-Ikare-Akungba Akoko and Isua-Ise-Ikare-Akungba Akoko route.

Men of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) at the Oka-Akoko outpost restored normalcy and towed the vehicles away to ease traffic flow.

The Ikare Unit Commander of the FRSC, Jimoh Basiru, said his men had removed the bodies to Iwaro-Oka General Hospital's mortuary.

Akoko Police Area Commander, Razak Rauf, decried incessant road crashes on the same route.

He attributed the carnage to recklessness and lack of regard for road signs.

The area commander also hinged the problem on the topography of that spot.

The paramount ruler of Oka-Akoko, Oba Yusuf Adeleye, regretted that the road had claimed many lives and aroused regular prayers among the road users.

The monarch said the rehabilitation of the road by the state government was not a licence for drivers to overload and engage in reckless driving.

It was learnt that the two drivers of the ill-fated trailers survived the accident and ran away.

Last week, 20 passengers also died on the same route – between Epinmi and Isua-Akoko – and the affected vehicles were burnt into ashes.

