

# Petrol tanker explosion kills six in Kwara

- 30 houses destroyed

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A truck laden with premium motor spirit (PMS) on Wednesday exploded and killed six persons at Jebba in Moro Local Government of Kwara State.

The tanker, said to be travelling through the ancient town, lost control and spilled its contents, as it rammed into houses.

Eyewitness account said the incident resulted in huge explosions that also burnt down over 30 houses and shops.

Fire Service spokesman Hassan Adekunle confirmed the incident. Governor AbdulRahman AbdulRazaq has commiserated with the bereaved families and the families of those who lost properties, describing the development as devastating and sad.

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In a statement, his media aide, Rafiu Ajakaye, said: “The governor is very sad at this development, especially with the loss of lives and millions of Naira worth of properties and farmlands.

“He sends his heartfelt condolences to the affected families. He urges them to take heart and remain calm as believers. He has directed the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) to move in to determine the material loss.