

One dead, three injured on Sallah road crash in Kwara



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An accident involving a motorcycle yesterday claimed one life in Ilorin, Kwara state while three other persons aboard the motorbike sustained serious injuries.

It was said that the motorbike rammed into a stationary vehicle on the road.

The victims were returning from the Ilorin Eid prayer ground when the incident occurred in the Balogun Fulani area of the metropolis.

The deceased, whose name was simply given simply as Suraju was said to be from the Alamo compound, Okelele, Ilorin.

Suraju was said to have died at a medical facility where he was rushed to for treatment.

He had since been buried at the Muslim cemetery, in the Osere area, Ilorin.

Two of the injured persons were said to have been admitted at the General Hospital, Surulere, Ilorin while the third victim was taken to a local orthopedic centre in the Dada area for treatment.

Contacted, the Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), Frederick Ogidan did not confirm the incident.

He said the incident had not been reported in his office.

“I will find out and if there is anything like that, I will let you know,” he said.

Meanwhile, no fewer than six shops and properties worth millions of naira were destroyed on Thursday when fire razed the popular Oja-Tuntun market in the Baboko area of Ilorin.

The fire happened around 7:30 pm.

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The spokesperson of the state Fire Service, Hassan Adekunle confirmed the incident, adding that firemen rose to the occasion and contained the flame.

Adekunle attributed the cause of the inferno to the carelessness of one of the shop owners in the market.

He said: “The inferno was subdued by the firepower of the Fire crew which did not allow it to spread beyond the scene of the fire.

“The leading officer of the crew who attended the incident announced that they arrived promptly at the scene and they were able to limit the damage caused by the ravaging fire out of 1,070 Lockup shops, six shops were affected.

“The officer added further that the cause of the fire incident was due to carelessness of one of the shop owners.”

He put the worth of the property saved at N2.6 billion Naira and the worth of the property lost at about N89.7 million.

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