

Trailer kills four in Abuja



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An accident involving a trailer on Saturday claimed four lives at Dutse- Baupma opposite AYM Shafar filling station along Dutse-Bwari express road in Bwari Area Council of the [Federal Capital Territory \(FCT\)](#), Abuja.

The accident which occurred at about noon on as a result of failed brake from a trailer carrying sand, also affected a black Toyota Highlander Jeep, a black Hilux belonging to the Police, and also Kekenapep.

An eye witness, John Onani told The Nation that the trailer carrying sand failed brake from the Usman Dam junction along the Dutse-Bwari expressway and crash into the vehicles where almost all the occupants lost their lives.

Onani said: “I was about to cross over to the main road with my car when I saw the trailer on a high-speed drive passed us and started crashing on vehicles. Bystanders at the Tipper garage junction were lucky that they quickly noticed that the trailer had failed to break, so they quickly scamper for safety.

“The trailer driver, his passengers, and the occupant of the Police Hilux were not lucky at all, as they all died instantly. While people in the Highlander Jeep and Kekenapep were seriously injured. More than four people died on the spot.

“This junction has been a death trap for a long time and nothing has been done to stop it. The FCT administration should come to our rescue here and if possible, they should tell all trailer drivers not to move on this road during the day, but at night.

“Because the trailer drivers that ply this route do not care about human lives at all, they drive their trailers as if they are the only people using this road, and there have been too many deaths at this junction and the government should do something drastic about it.”

Passersby, at the time of filing this report, alongside officials of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) and other security operatives took the bodies of the victims to the mortuary, while the survivors were rushed to the hospital.