

2 police inspectors, one other killed in road accident while travelling to pick colleague's body for burial

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THREE persons, including two police inspectors, have been killed in a road accident while travelling to pick the body of their late colleague in a mortuary in Anyigba, Kogi State, for burial in his village in Adamawa State.

Nigerian Tribune gathered that the deceased were travelling with a casket in an ambulance to collect the body of another policeman who had also lost his life in another accident to his village in Adamawa State when the accident occurred.

It was gathered that the

ambulance collided with an articulated vehicle, which led to the death of the three persons.

The Kogi State sector commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Mr Solomon Aghure, confirmed the incident to the *Nigerian Tribune* on Thursday.

The FRSC boss explained

that the policemen and the driver were travelling in an ambulance with an empty casket to collect the body of a police sergeant from a mortuary in Ayingba.

He said the ambulance in which they were travelling in collided with a Mercedes Benz truck coming from the opposite direction at a spot in

Ojodu community.

The state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP William Aya, who also confirmed the incident, explained that the two policemen were detailed to go and pick the body of a deceased sergeant at Ayingba and accompany it to Adamawa State for burial as requested

by the family of the deceased.

According to him, the driver of the truck and his motor boy fled following the accident.

He said the bodies of the two police inspectors had been deposited at a morgue in Lokoja, while that of the civilian driver of the ambulance had been released to his family.

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