

# UPDATED: Truck accident claims five lives in Epe market

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No fewer than five persons, including two students, were early Monday crushed to death by a truck, which rammed into a market in the Aiyetoro area of Epe.

Many people were also reportedly injured in the Epe accident as the truck veered off the road into the market on a market day.

The Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA) confirmed the accident but claimed that three people have been confirmed dead.

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LASTMA also added that five other people were rescued from two other road accidents in the Abule Egba and Ketu areas of the state.

The Nigerian Tribune gathered that the truck, loaded with cement, was descending a slope in the area when suddenly the brake failed, leading to the accident.

Director, Public Affairs and Enlightenment Department, LASTMA, Adebayo Taofiq, in a statement on Monday said, “The calamity involved a Dangote truck (DCG-TM-028), which experienced a critical brake failure while descending from Ita-Opo.

The out-of-control vehicle collided with a tricycle (Marwa AGL 442 QC) and a stationary Toyota Camry at the Ayeyoro traffic light before veering into the Ayetoro Market Complex in Epe.

The unfortunate collision resulted in the fatalities of the tricycle driver and two students from Manpower Technical School.”

The LASTMA spokesperson also continued, “First responders from the Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA), with the assistance of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), swiftly arrived on the scene to secure the area.

The deceased were respectfully transported to the Epe General Hospital mortuary.

Prompt efforts were made to clear the wreckage, including the Dangote truck, to alleviate traffic congestion and safeguard other road users.”

Also, “In a separate but related incident, another accident was reported at Ijaye inward Abule-Egba. The crash involved an LT Bus (FKJ 762 AD) and a Toyota Hiace Bus (MUS 154 YE), attributed once again to brake system failure.

LASTMA personnel acted swiftly, extricating the driver and two passengers, who were then urgently conveyed to a nearby medical facility for treatment.”

Additionally, LASTMA officers successfully rescued three individuals — two females and one male — from a multi-vehicle collision at Tsunami Bridge, inward Ketu.

According to the LASTMA image maker, “This accident, involving two Volkswagen commercial buses (LSD 483 CT & AGL 267) and a 10-tyre DAF truck, left victims with varying degrees of injuries.

They were promptly transported to a nearby hospital for immediate medical intervention, while officers from Alapere Police Station provided essential security support during the rescue operations.”

LASTMA General Manager, Mr. Olalekan Bakare-Oki, has once again reiterated the importance of vehicular maintenance. He implores all motorists to diligently ensure that their vehicles, particularly the braking systems, are in optimal condition before setting out on any journey. Regular maintenance checks are crucial to preventing such calamitous incidents and preserving lives.

