

Truck rams into shops, kills child hawker

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A nine-year-old hawker, Tayiba Jamiu, died on Sunday in Abeokuta, the Ogun State capital, when a truck rammed into some shops at Sapon, a business district in the state capital.

Seven persons, including the 11-year-old brother of the deceased, Monsuru, sustained serious injuries in the accident that occurred at 9:30am.

The deceased and his sister, whose father died six months ago, were hawking vegetables when the accident occurred.

The truck, with registration Lagos AJ 571 AKM, was heading for the Ake area of the town, veered off the road when the driver lost control.

The vehicle broke electricity poles at the Sapon roundabout before ramming into the shops, which were beside the General Post Office in the area.

None of the affected persons died on the spot as they were rescued by officers of the state traffic agency and the fire service.
