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Five persons have lost their lives after they were crushed by a heavy duty truck loaded with granites at Ikare-Akoko, Akoko North West Area of Ondo State.

Eyewitnesses said the accident occurred on Thursday when the truck loaded with granites lost control after experiencing brake failure on the 'Oke Alaboju to Hill' in Ikare.

The truck was said to have rammed into a Mini Suzuki bus before crashing into the popular Abiola Shopping Complex in the market, where the victims were carrying out their business activities.

It was gathered that five of those affected died on the spot, while several others sustained injury.

The scene of the accident is a meter away from the palace of the Oluware of Ikare Akoko land.

Traders at the market also reported the destruction of their wares and other properties worth millions of naira.

Some of the injured were rushed to the state specialist hospital in Ikare, while two others are currently receiving treatment at the Federal Medical Centre, Owo.

The state Commissioner of Police, Isaac Eke, and the Commissioner for Works, Mr. Gboye Adegbenro, who were in the area, visited the scene and sympathised with the people of Ikare-Akoko over the tragic incident.

Speaking at the scene, Adegbenro said the state government sympathised with the people of Ikare Akoko and revealed that government had been pleading with the people to move their trade to Caring Heart Market built by the government.

He stressed that this would also avoid multiple and repeated accident which always occurred by the road.






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