Three die in Ekiti

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hree persons have died in a road accident involving a DAF truck and an 18-seater Toyota Hiace on Thursday night in Ado Ekiti.

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of injuries in the accident, which happened at Akonoshan area, along Ado- Iyin road, near Ado-Ekiti.

The Ekiti Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps, Ismail Kugu, confirmed this to journalists on Friday.

He said, "A Road Traffic Crash occurred around 6:30p.m while it was raining, though we got the information late due to bad network caused by the heavy downpour.

"Before our arrival at the scene of the accident, a state ambulance Service had picked some injured victims, but we were able to rescue others.

"Two vehicles were involved, a DAF truck with Lagos registration number, EPE 73XU and an eighteen seater Toyota Hiace bus with Ekiti number, EFY 30XA.

"The total number of people involved are 18 including those in the truck, consisting of 12 male adults and 6 female adults.

"As at this morning, three people, two males and a female had died, while eight were seriously injured."

Kugu said preliminary investigation indicated that the accident was caused by break failure and loss of control on the part of the truck driver.

He added that victims had been taken to the Ekiti State University Teaching Hospital, Ado Ekiti

"We have done the road audit, that is the x-ray of the road to serve as caution for motorists and enable them to know the terrain of the road," he said.