

Sleepy driver kills one in Lagos-Ibadan Expressway crash

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An accident scene

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One person died, while three others sustained varying degrees of injury when a truck driver reportedly dozed off around Kara, Ayetoro, on the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway.

The Public Relations Officer of the Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Corps, Babatunde Akinbiyi, who confirmed the incident to journalists in Abeokuta on Sunday, said the accident involved two trucks.

Akinbiyi said the crash occurred around 602am and involved a green DAD truck with number plate XB 989 KTG and another white truck with number plate FKY 669 XZ.

According to him, the driver of the green truck, which was conveying livestock and goats, was sleeping on the wheel, and in the process, lost control and hit the white truck in front.

Akinbiyi added that three persons sustained varying degrees of injury, while one person died in the crash.

He stated, “We learnt that the driver of the truck conveying livestock and goats, which was inbound Lagos from Kano, dozed off behind the wheel due to fatigue, and in the process, lost control and hit the truck ahead.

“The three injured victims and the deceased were all occupants of the truck conveying livestock and goats.

“The Hausa community has taken the injured victims for treatment and also the dead from the police for burial according to Islamic injunctions.”