

Truck crushes three to death in Kwara

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Pandemonium broke out in Oke-Oyi, headquarters of Ilorin East Local Government Area of Kwara State on Saturday as a tipper truck crushed three occupants of a tricycle to death.

The fatal accident, according to sources, occurred on the old Ilorin-Jebba Road when the driver of the tricycle wanted to cross to a filling station to buy fuel without paying attention to the oncoming tipper truck.

It was too late for the tipper truck driver to apply brakes and consequently crushed the tricycle.

Sunday PUNCH learnt that angry residents set the tipper truck ablaze upon the death of the three occupants.

The driver of the truck was reportedly beaten up before he was rescued by the policemen drafted to the scene.

The residents also barricaded the road and truck drivers plying the route had to divert to neighbouring Osin village.

Police Public Relations Officer in the state, Ajayi Okasanmi, confirmed the incident

He said, “Normalcy had been restored to the area by the policemen. Residents are advised against taking the law into their own hands.”