

Three children killed as truck crashes into Anambra building

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No fewer than six people were killed on Saturday after a truck carrying a 40-foot container loaded with cement crashed into a residential building at Area Command Bus Stop, Nnewi, Anambra State.

Three of the deceased were said to be children from the same family.

Although the Anambra State Police Command confirmed that six persons died in the incident, eyewitnesses claimed that the death toll exceeded 10.

Sunday PUNCH gathered that the truck suffered a brake failure, causing the driver to lose control and crash into several buildings before coming to a halt.

Sources in the area said the incident occurred late on Friday when residents had settled in their homes.

An eyewitness said, "The driver of the trailer carrying a 40-foot container loaded with cement lost control at Ugwu-Akpati Ozu, Nnewi, and crashed at Me Court Junction, near Nnewi Police Area Command Bus Stop. The truck cleared several structures and people before ramming into a residential building, killing about five children from one family.