

Seven killed in Benue auto crash

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| The accident scene

No fewer than seven people were reportedly killed in a lone accident that involved a truck along the Katsina Ala area of Benue State on Saturday.

According to an eyewitness account, the truck which was loaded with bags of cement with 15 people was heading to Zaki Biam when it was involved in the accident.

The eyewitness who identified himself as Toom said the truck with a Dangote inscription carried 15 people with a load of cement.

PUNCH Metro gathered that the truck which was on a high speed rammed into a pothole, lost control and fell down. The truck was said to be loaded with 600 bags of cement.

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Toom said, “The truck with a Dangote inscription was involved in an accident on Saturday, seven people died, six others sustained varied degrees of injuries and two others escaped.

The Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps, Steve Ayodele, confirmed the accident and stated that 15 people were involved.

He said, “The accident happened along Katsina Ala/Zaki Biam road around 11 am on Saturday and it involved 15 people, seven were killed, six injured and two without injury.

The sector commander said that the road had been cleared for free movement of vehicles.