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# Truck crushes 5 to death in Ogun

**A** speeding truck yesterday crushed five persons to death along the Epe/Ijebu-Ode Expressway in Ogun State.

The accident involved an unmarked truck, an empty low-bed Benz of a construction company with registration number BWR 281XC and a commercial motorcycle.

The Public Relations Officer (PRO), of the State Traffic Compliance and Enforcement (TRACE), Babatunde Akinbiyi, confirmed the accident to journalists in Abeokuta.

Akinbiyi blamed the accident on "excessive speeding" on the part of the truck driver.

Quoting eyewitness account, Akinbiyi said, "the multiple accident which involved an empty Mack truck with no registration number,

an empty Benz low bed of a construction company with registration number BWR 281XC and a commercial motorcycle was caused by excessive speed on the part of the truck.

"The road traffic accident was caused by excessive speed on the part of the empty Mack truck coming from Epe which crossed the median to hit the truck moving inbound Epe, while at the same time, crushed a commercial motorcycle

moving inbound Epe, too."

He said a joint rescue team of TRACE, the Federal Roads Safety Corps and the police have evacuated remains of the victims and deposited them at Ijebu-Ode General Hospital morgue.

## Man stabs friend to death over debt, lands in jail

**A** Lagos State Magistrate Court in Ikeja has remanded a man, Bitrus Wurawa, for allegedly stab-

do so despite several pleas from the defendant.

In the process of an argument, Yahana was said to have brought

deen, said Wurawa committed the offence on March 8.

Nurudeen added that the crime is punishable under Section 283 of