Two Die in Articulated Vehicle Accident in Niger

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Two people have been confirmed killed in an accident that involved two articulated vehicles at Enagi in the Edati Local Government Area of Niger State.

The two articulated vehicles, one a tanker laden with premium motor spirit said to belong to the Dangote

Group and another truck, were involved in a head-on collision in the incident that occurred at about 1.30 pm on Saturday.

The Niger State Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) Mr. Musa Ahmed, confirmed the incident to THISDAY in a telephone interview.

Ahmed said the two people that died were burnt beyond

recognition, adding that it was posterity that saved villagers because the incident did not happen within the town.

However a villager said they were able to count three corpses, adding that as at 4.30 p.m. the two vehicles were still on fire.

According to the account of the villagers, six motorcycles and three other vehicles were also burnt in the accident.

Another resident Mr. Usman Baba Emigi, in his account in a telephone conversation, said three shops were burnt but no residential building was affected.

He said men of fire service from Kutigi in Lavun Local Government Area and those of the Federal Road Safety Corps were on ground trying to put off the fire.