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Truck crushes 3 brothers in Ilorin

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Ilorin – Three brothers were crushed to death on Thursday in Ilorin when a truck carrying cement had a head-on collision with their motorcycle.

The accident occurred on old Jebba Road in Oyun area of Ilorin.

An eyewitness said the brothers were trying to overtake the vehicle in front of them when the oncoming truck crashed into them.

The truck was heading toward Oke-Oyi while the victims were heading for Ilorin.

The three victims, who were said to be members of a family in Oke-Oyi, the headquarters of Ilorin East Local Government Area, died on the spot.

It was gathered that a group of angry youths in the area beat up the occupants of the truck and set the vehicle on fire.

Some of the youths also carted away some bags of cement before the intervention of the police.

Mr Adeniyi Dogunro, the Public Relations Officer of Kwara Command of the FRSC, said the corpses of the victims had been deposited at the mortuary of the University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital.

In his reaction, DSP Olufemi Fabode, the Police Public Relations Officer of Kwara Command, also confirmed the incident.

He said that some youths had been arrested with about 100 bags of cement.

Fabode condemned the action of the youths, saying it would be difficult for the owner of the truck to compensate the family of the victims.

He urged residents of the state to refrain from self help, saying:

"People should allow Vehicle Inspection Officers to do their work and that would bring justice.

"How would the owner of the truck compensate the family of victims now? This is bad and our people must stop this," he said. (NAN)