

2 dead, policeman, others injured as trucks collide

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Two unidentified persons reportedly died, while others sustained injuries yesterday morning in Lagos, when a refuse truck had a head-on collision with another truck.

The accident occurred 3a.m., along LASU-Isheri Road, Oko-Fili Bus Stop, Igando area, in Ikotun-Igando Local Council Development Area, LCDA, when the container-laden truck, conveying a brand of tomato paste, which was said to be speeding, rammed into the PSP truck that was about manoeuvring into the dump site at Oko-Filli Bus Stop.

According to an eyewitness, Mr. Akeem Olabisi, two unidentified persons died due to late arrival of help, adding that a police officer, identified as Mr. Michael Adeyeye, and five others, who were trapped, were rescued from the wreckage.

Other survivors with minor injuries were identified as Yemi Adekoya, driver of a PSP truck, his motor-boy, Mr. Umeokoli Okechukwu, and the 54-year-old driver of the truck.

“It took the emergency workers hours to remove the trapped victims,” a source from the ERT told *Vanguard*.

He added that they were forced to request for the newly-commissioned heavy duty equipment launched recently by President Muhammadu Buhari before the victim could be rescued.

Sources said that while some of the victims were rushed to the Igando General Hospital, the police officer was taken to Lagos State University Teaching Hospital, LASUTH, Ikeja.

When *Vanguard* visited the scene, it was observed that business activities were paralysed within the axis.

Commuters were sighted at different bus stops, stood.