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Business stalls at landing site

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MOYO. Business at Laropi Landing Site in Moyo District has for the past two days been paralysed after a trailer slid off a ferry while connecting to Adjumani.

Passengers are now using the longer route through Obongi District.

According to eye witnesses, the trailer slid off because it was carrying heavy logs.

"I saw the trailer plunge into River Nile as it was getting onto the ferry. The loading ground should be reworked on with better concrete because sometimes the heavy loads can force the ferry to sink," Mr Patrick Iranya 34, a witness told *Daily Monitor* in an interview yesterday.

Ms Juliet Nyumaa, a businesswoman at the landing site, said she has incurred losses in the past two days as there are few people using the route. "Since Monday business has reduced. Most people now use Obongi ferry. We pray that the ferry starts operating soon," she said.

By last evening, crane operators were still struggling to remove the trailer from the water.

Uganda National Roads Authority operates two ferries on the River Nile which link Moyo and Adjumani districts.