



2 Die In Sagamu-Ore-Benin Road Auto Crash

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At least two people have been confirmed dead, while two others escaped unhurt in an accident which occurred on Wednesday on the Sagamu-Ore-Benin Expressway.

The auto crash, which occurred around 5:10 a.m. at Ogbera Junction of the expressway, involved a white Mack truck with registration number: ABC 660 XC and an orange-colour Peugeot J5 bus with an unknown registration number, laden with tomatoes and other farm produce suspected to be heading towards either Ogun or Lagos markets.

The spokesperson of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Afolabi Odunsi, who confirmed the accident in a statement, attributed the fatal it

to overspeeding and route violation.

Odunsi, in the statement, explained that a preliminary investigation into the cause of the accident indicated twin causes of Route Violation (RTV) and Speed Violation (SPV) that aggravated a collision, the impact of which resulted in the "Peugeot J5 bus catching fire, with its front section completely burnt".

"Unfortunately, two people lost their lives, while two others escaped unhurt. No injury was recorded. FRSC rescue personnel arrived at the scene within two minutes of being notified and immediately commenced traffic management".

Odunsi, a Superintendent Route Commander (SRC) of the Corp, further explained that corpses of the deceased victims were evacuated

by the Nigeria Police Motor Traffic Division (MTD), Ogbera Division and deposited at the mortuary.

He also disclosed that traffic on the affected lane was diverted to the alternative carriage way to ease vehicular movement on the axis. At the same time, the Corps stepped up efforts to remove the wreckage and restore free flow of traffic.

While conveying the condolences of the Sector Commander, Corps Commander Oludare Ogunjobi, to the families of the deceased and stressed the need for motorists to obey traffic regulations at all times, Odunsi further explained that the Sector Commander has warned drivers against speeding and route violations, "particularly during periods of poor visibility and on wet road surfaces".