

# Car crushes 5 Berger workers

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**F**IVE workers of Julius Berger Nigeria Plc were yesterday, crushed to death at the Minister's Hill, Maitama in Abuja.

The tragedy occurred when the driver, Sani Abdullahi lost control of his vehicle, crashing into a Julius Berger construction site.

According to an eye witness, Mr. Pius Okafor who is an excavator on the construction site, six Berger workers were laying blocks by the side of the road when an ash colour Peugeot 406 vehicle with registration number FY35ABC suddenly ran into the workers killing five instantly with one seriously injured.

The driver was said to be making a phone call and on a high speed before losing control of his vehicle.

A team of Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) rescue team rushed to the scene to evacuate the injured and the vehicle which somersaulted after hitting the construction workers.

An Ambulance belonging to Julius Berger conveyed the corpses to the Julius Berger clinic at Life Camp while another ambulance belonging to the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) took the injured driver to Maitama General Hospital for medical attention.

Meanwhile the FRSC has stepped up special patrol since last week in the Federal Capital Territory and its environs to address the growing trend of mobile telephone usage by motorists in the FCT.

Mobile courts, according to the commission would be established for prompt trial of offenders even as the general motoring public had been advised to contact FRSC emergency number 0700-22553772 to report any Road Traffic crash and motorists violating the rule and use of mobile phone.