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Three persons were on Friday morning burnt to death, while one other sustained serious injuries in an accident that occurred at Sabon-Gari village, along the Abuja-Lokoja highway.

An eye witness said the accident involved a truck with registration number XP 642 FKJ and a bus belonging to Red Star Courier Services

He said the bus driver lost control of his vehicle while on top speed and rammed into the truck from behind, adding that the bus immediately burst into fire and burnt three of its occupant to death, with the driver sustaining various degrees of burns.

Confirming the accident, the Kwali Unit Commander of Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), Mr. Tukur D. Sifawa, said he mobilised his men to scene immediately his command was alerted about the accident.

He said the injured driver has been handed over to his company's management, who came to the accident scene, while the burnt bodies were given mass burial through the combined efforts of the FRSC, police and officials of the Kwali Area Council's Environmental Board.

Mr. Sifawa further disclosed that 14 persons were seriously injured last Thursday afternoon in another accident that involved a Nissan bus with registration number AN 20A28 and a Peugeot 504 station wagon car with registration number AV 924 RBC, at Kamadi junction.

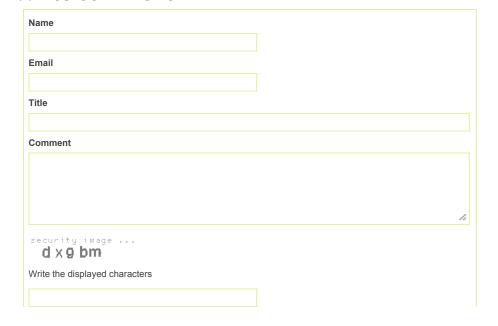
He said the Anambra Mass Transit bus which was carrying 15 passengers on board tried to avoid having a head on collision with a Peugeot car that over took another vehicle dangerously and in the process, the bus driver lost control and rammed into a ditch injuring 14 passengers on the spot.

The unit commander said the 14 injured were immediately rushed to the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital for treatment and he warned drivers to desist from night journeys.

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