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## Four burnt to death in Yangoji auto crash

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FOUR persons were burnt to death while five others sustained serious injuries Thursday night in a fatal accident that occurred at Yangoji village, near Kwali town along the Abuja- Lokoja highway.

An eyewitness said the accident happened at about 10: 30 pm when a J5 Peugeot bus with registration number AA 43 SMK, loaded with banana rammed into a stationary truck with registration number XA 648, killing four persons on the spot.

According to the eyewitness, the truck which had broken down on the road, did not display a caution sign to indicate that it was stationary when the J5 Peugeot bus crashed into it from behind, adding that a Volkswagen Golf car with registration number AH 505 GUS also hit the bus from behind, injuring four persons on the spot.

"The J5 bus, after hitting the back of the trailer, caught fire immediately and burnt the four occupants to death.

He said the four corpses which were burnt beyond recognition were given a mass burial at the scene through the combined efforts of Yangoji muslims community, Kwali environmental officials, the police and FRSC officials.

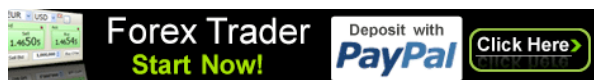
Confirming the accident to our reporter, the Yangoji Unit Commander of the (FRSC), Mr. Abdullahi Umar, blamed the driver of the truck for the accident.

Similarly, one person died while eight others sustained serious injuries Friday evening in a multiple accident, before officials of the Yangoji unit command of the Federal Road Safety commission came to their rescue.

The Abaji Unit Commander of the (FRSC), Mr. Joseph Ojerinde, while confirming the accident, said it involved three vehicles, which include a Toyota Hiace bus with registration number AE 276 ZAR, a Volkswagen Golf car with registration number AE 522 KKF, and a daf truck with registration number AA 823 FTA.

According to him, the accident Occurred when the truck which was coming from Gwagwalada end overtook dangerously crashed into the two vehicles coming from Lokoja end, killing one person on the spot.

He said the corpse has been conveyed to the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital morgue, while the eight injured were rushed to Abaji General hospital for treatment.



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