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Student, 3 others die in auto crash

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FOUR persons including a 19-year-old secondary school student Thursday evening lost their lives in a fatal motor accident that occurred at Awawa village, along Abaji-Lokoja highway.

Nine others also sustained serious injuries and were rushed to the hospital.

A witness said the accident occurred when an 18-seater bus without registration number

overtook another vehicle while on speed and collided with a Daf truck, killing four persons on the spot.

Our reporter gathered at the accident scene that the bus driver was hired to deliver the bus to someone in Abuja from Lagos but he picked passengers along the road.

Confirming the accident, Abaji Federal Road Safety Commission's (FRSC) unit Commander, Mr. Joseph Ezeh, attributed the

accident to wrongful overtaking while on top speed.

He said it took his men over two hours to remove the trapped bus driver's corpse.

According to him, a panel beater used an iron rod and axe to remove the corpse, while all the corpses were taken to the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital's Morgue, at Gwagwalada.

The unit commander also informed that the injured victims, including a female were

taken to Abaji General Hospital.

He said the late student's family came to the FRSC unit command on Friday to collect the deceased person's luggage that was recovered at the accident scene.

At Abaji General Hospital on Friday, four of the injured victims were seen receiving treatment, while a nurse said the remaining five were referred to the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital at Gwagwalada due to the seriousness of their injuries.