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AUTO CRASH CLAIMS 3 AT MANDEREGI VILLAGE

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Three persons were burnt to death as two vehicles collided Friday afternoon at Manderegi village, along Abaji-Lokoja road.

Our reporter learnt that one of the victims, who was rescued alive by men of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) later died at the hospital.

A witness said the accident happened around 3pm when an unmarked Ford car overtook another vehicle dangerously and collided with an oncoming Opel car with registration number BSA 301 XA.

The witness said one of the vehicles caught fire instantly.

According to the witness, a female occupant of the Opel car and its driver were burnt to death on the spot while one other person rescued from the Ford car, later died at the hospital.

The witness said two of the victims were burnt to death before fire fighters arrived the scene to put out the fire.

When contacted, Abaji FRSC unit commander, Moses Audu, confirmed the accident, saying two persons were burnt to death on the spot while one of the victims, who was taken to the hospital died after some hours.

In a related development, a middle-aged woman was also injured in another accident which occurred on Saturday night at Kwaita village, along Abuja-Lokoja road.

Yangoji FRSC unit commander, Austine Chukwudi Okeke, who confirmed the accident, said it happened around 9:15 pm and involved a Nissan car with registration number MNA 466 AE and a truck with registration number AAA 422 XA.

He attributed the cause of the accident to wrongful overtaking by one of the vehicles, adding that the injured victim was treated and discharged.



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