



ONE DIES, 11 INJURED IN AUTO CRASH AT GWAKO VILLAGE



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One person died while 11 others sustained various degrees of injuries in a fatal motor accident on Friday evening at Gwako village, along Abuja-Lokoja road.

A witness said the accident happened around 5:30 am when an 18-seater Toyota commuter bus with registration number FFA 280 XA lost control while on high speed and crashed into a ditch, leaving one person dead and 11 others seriously wounded. Two children were said to be among the commuters.

He added that immediately after the accident, officials of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) rushed to the scene to evacuate the victims to a nearby hospital.

Gwagwalada Unit Commander of the FRSC, Alhaji Ahmed Abubakar confirmed the accident.

He said one passenger died while 11 others sustained various degrees of injuries. He added that the injured were taken to the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital at Gwagwalada.

He said the corpse has been deposited at the hospital's morgue.

In a related development, eight passengers were seriously injured in another accident near Slan Filling station at Yangoji village, along Abuja-Lokoja road in the early hours of Saturday.

Yangoji Unit Commander of the FRSC, Austine Chukwudi Okeke, who confirmed the accident, said it happened around 2:42 am when a Toyota commuter bus with registration number LSR 931 XC collided with an oncoming Peugeot J5 bus with registration number WRA 205 XC. He said eight persons were injured.

He attributed the accident to dangerous driving and speed limit violation, adding that the victims were conveyed to Kwali General Hospital for medical treatment.

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