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## Lawyer, 5 others die in auto crash at Kwali

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A scene of an accident on the Abuja-Lokoja expressway yesterday.

A member of the Suleja branch of the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA), Barrister G.N Omoruyi, and five others recently lost their lives in a fatal motor accident which occurred near Lukoda junction at Kwali.

Our reporter learnt that three others in the vehicle who sustained various degrees of injuries were taken to hospital by officials of the Yangoji unit command of the Federal Road Safety

Corps (FRSC).

A witness said the accident happened around 2:53 p.m. when the driver of a Toyota Hiace bus with registration NBA 41 UL belonging to the Suleja branch of the NBA, lost control after a tyre burst and crashed into a ditch.

"The bus summersaulted thrice after one of its tyres burst and crashed into a ditch, killing the lawyer and five others on the spot," he said.

City News gathered that the passengers were returning from Benin in Edo State to Suleja, Niger State, after attending a conference when the incident happened.

Reacting, Yangoji unit commander of the FRSC, Assistant Corps Commander Jeremiah M. Fada, confirmed the accident, which he attributed to tyre burst.

He said the remains of the lawyer and the five other passengers were deposited at Kwali General Hospital, while the three passengers injured were taken to Rhema Foundation Hospital at Kwali.

Meanwhile, the FRSC commander has disclosed that four persons were also injured in another accident which occurred last Friday afternoon at Gumbo junction, on the Abuja-Lokoja expressway.

He said the accident happened around 3:12 p.m. when the driver of an unmarked Mercedes truck lost control and crashed into a ditch by the road side, saying the injured victims, including the driver were taken to Rhema Foundation Hospital at Kwali.

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