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Three people have died after a vehicle plunged into a river on Sunday evening at Idu village, on the Abuja-Lokoja road.

Two other persons survived but sustained injuries in the accident that occurred at about 6:12 p.m.



A witness said that the accident involved a Toyota Camry car with registration number XB 321 BDG said to be coming from Lagos.

He said that the driver, who was on speed, suddenly applied brakes after one of the car's tyres burst.

According to him, the driver lost control of the vehicle which somersaulted and fell inside the river.

"The driver and two passengers who were trapped inside the car died when the car fell into the river," he said.

The Koton-Karfe unit Commander of the FRSC, Ahmed Daura, could not be reached for his reaction, but an official of the commission confirmed the accident.

He said that the three corpses were deposited at the Federal Medical Centre, Lokoja, while the two injured persons were taken to a hospital at Koton-Karfe town for treatment.

In a related development, four people were injured in another motor accident which occurred on Saturday afternoon at Piri village, on the same road.

Our reporter gathered that the accident happened at about 6:15 p.m. after a Nissan vehicle with registration number BM 276 ABC had a tyre burst and crashed into a ditch.

It was learnt that the injured people were taken to the Kwali General Hospital by FRSC officials.



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