

Six students burnt to death, 9 others injured in Ebonyi crash

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Six persons reported to be students of the Madonna University, Okija, in Anambra State were on Friday burnt to death in an auto crash which occurred along the Abakaliki-Enugu highway.

Daily Trust on Sunday gathered that the incident occurred at 6pm on Friday.

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A witness, Chukwuma Ogwa, who spoke to journalists, said the accident was caused by a head-on collision involving two commercial buses.

Ogwa added that villagers around the area rescued the other passengers who sustained injuries.

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“The accident happened just near the bridge which is about two poles to the Ezzamgbo General Hospital. One of the buses which was carrying the students skidded off the road, somersaulted into the bush and caught fire.

“The villagers had to put out the fire before rescuing the passengers who were still alive,” he said.

The Public Education Officer of the Federal Road Safety Commission, Ebonyi State Command, Mr. Monday Okoro, confirmed that nine persons were injured in the incident.

“Nine persons were injured. Those killed were taken to the morgue. The cause of the accident was a head-on collision”, he said.

Okoro further called on motorists to always obey traffic rules and stop over speeding.