

6 die, 10 others injured in Gombe auto crash

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An accident scene involving a truck, commercial bus and three tricycles along the Southern-Bypass in Gombe yesterday, where six persons died and 10 were injured

Six persons died while 10 others were injured in an accident involving a truck, commercial bus and three tricycles yesterday along the Gombe southern-bypass in Gombe State.

Daily Trust gathered that the truck driver had a brake failure and lost control of the vehicle which hit the bus and tricycles. Six persons died on the spot.

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The driver of one of the tricycles who survived the accident, Mukhtar, said the truck and the other vehicles involved in the crash tumbled.

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According to witnesses, the truck carrying zinc collided with the bus which was approaching from the opposition direction and rammed into the tricycles parked along the road near Hammadu Kafi area of the state.

The spokesperson of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Ibrahim Hassan Mustapha, confirmed the incident.

He said six persons were confirmed dead while 10 others were critically injured.

“Before the trailer fell, it collided with a bus and smashed three tricycles. Preliminary investigation revealed that the accident occurred as a result of brake failure,” Mustapha said.

Our correspondent reports that accidents involving articulated vehicles are becoming prevalent along the Gombe southern bypass. On April 12, persons were killed while 16 others sustained injuries in the same area.

Also on April 18, six persons sustained injuries and four vehicles got damaged when a diesel tanker fell on the same bridge after the driver had a brake failure.