6 killed, 12injured in LagosAbeokutaroad crashes

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At least six people died on Monday while 12 others sustained varying degrees of injuries in multiple accidents along Lagos - Abeokuta road.

Our correspondent gathered that the multiple crashes occurred around 2:10pm at the Lala/Keke axis of the Lagos - Abeokuta old road.

Vehicles involved in the crashes were identified as a Mitsubishi Canter marked XS595JJJ, Mazda Bus E2000 with registration number LSR266YD and another Mazda E2000 bus marked LND01YE.

The spokesperson for the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Ogun State Command, Florence Okpe, confirmed the incident in Abeokuta on Monday.

She identified overspeeding, dangerous driving and loss of control due to wrong turning as the suspected causes of the multiple crashes.

Okpe, who is the Public Education Officer of the FRSC, explained that the driver of the Mitsubishi Canter was navigating a turning without observing the road, while the driver of the Mazda bus lost control of the wheels, leading to a crash.

The FRSC spokesperson said a total number of 38 people were involved in the accident, out of which six died while 12 others sustained injuries.

Okpe said the injured victims were rescued and taken to the state's hospital in Abeokuta for medical attention, while the corpses were deposited at the morgue of the facility.