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Accident kills 3, injures 9 on Lagos-Ibadan Expressway

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hree people were reportedly killed on Sunday while nine others were injured in a road accident along the Lagos-Ibadan expressway.

It was gathered that the accident, which occurred

at the Fidiwo Bridge axis of the highway, involved a total of 14 people - nine male adults, four female adults and a male child.

The spokeswoman of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) in Ogun State, Florence Okpe, confirmed the incident in Abeokuta, adding that six male adults and three female adults sustained injuries in the incident.

"A total of three persons were recorded dead - one male adult, one female adult and one male child," Okpe said.

She explained that two vehicles were involved in the crash - a Nissan car with registration number LSR377BL and a Toyota

Sienna bus marked ABJ24XV.

According to her, the suspected causes of the crash were speeding, tyre burst and loss of control.

"The Nissan car driver, while speeding, had a tyre burst. It lost control and rammed into the Sienna vehicle," she said. Okpe added that those injured were taken to Victory Hospital in Ogere, while the bodies of the deceased were deposited at the state hospital on Isara.

She said the Sector Commander, Ahmed Umar, had commiserated with the family of the victims, and advised motorists to always do what he called "vehicle parade", by checking the tyres, engines, light and others before embarking on any trip.

Okpe said Umar reiterated the warning against speed violation among motorists, urging them to obey traffic regulations.