

3 dead in Anambra road accident

From Titus Eleweke, Awka

A driver and two passengers yesterday lost their lives in a ghastly motor accident along the Ezinano-Nkwo Agulu section of the Agulu road in Anaocha LGA of Anambra State.

The crash involved a 14-seater Mitsubishi 300 bus headed to Ekwulobia from Amawbia.

Daily Trust gathered that the driver and two passengers, a male and a female, were burnt beyond recognition.

According to a survivor who gave his name as Chinonso, the bus loaded at Amawbia Park and was heading to Ekwulobia when the accident occurred.

"Soon after we took off, one of the passengers cautioned the driver against over speeding but he did not listen. While attempting to avoid a pothole, the driver lost control and the bus veered off the road, somersaulted and caught fire after hitting the fence of a building by the roadside.

"I managed to escape with other passengers, but we couldn't succeed in assisting the three victims who were already engulfed by the raging flames," he said.

Confirming the incident, the Sector Commander, Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Adeoye Irelewuyi, blamed the incident on overspeeding and wrong overtaking.