12 die in auto crash in Imo

ABOUT 12 persons have Ngor Okpala, an out skirts of Owerri, Imo

been confirmed dead in an auto crash that occurred about 2 p.m. in

State when a bus carrying passengers collided with a trailer loaded

with bags of cement. According to the Imo From Charles Ogugbuaja, Owerri

State Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), Alhaji Nda Zakari, all the occupants in the bus including the driver and the

attendant (conductor)

died as the bus caught

fire.

The trailer is marked

XM 341 PHC while the bus has the registration number as XA 553 NWA.

Zakari said his men

have deposited all the bodies at the Federal Medical Centre (FMC). Owerri. He said 10 died on the spot while two others died on the way to hospital.

According to the

FRSC chief, the truck ram into the bus while trying to avoid a huge pot hole. Immediately after the accident occurred, both the truck driver and conductor

disappeared. Zakari blamed the truck driver, whom he described as impatient and ran into the bus lane.