Four feared killed, cars burnt in Ogun tanker

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At least, four persons were burnt beyond recognition, while seven cars and five motorcycles were destroyed yesterday when a petrol tanker crashed in Abeokuta, Ogun

About 12 persons who sustained injury in the accident were rushed to the hospital, where they are currently receiving medical treatment. Residents, traders and travellers scampered for safety, as the impact of the inferno was weighty.

The charred remains of a motorcyclist caught in the fire, which stood affixed to his motorcycle, drew tears uncontrollably from sympathisers, as affected taxi drivers who managed to escape broke down in tears.

Though the Ogun State Fire Service officials got to the scene and eventually succeeded in putting out the fire, they could not save those who lost their lives. For hours, the area was cordoned-off, a development that led to heavy traffic gridlock around the busy area.

The Guardian learnt that the incident, which occurred at about 7:50a.m., caused by a 33,000-litre tanker, involved nine casualties. According to eyewitness accounts, the tanker was coming from NNPC-Oke Mosan road axis, on the Presidential Boulevard, Kobape road, Kuto and took the overhead bridge, but while descending from the bridge, the tanker lost control due to failed break.

It was learnt that the tanker went into flames after hitting a motorcycle from behind and later hit some of the cabs waiting for passengers by the bridge edge. The development led to confusion as the incident happened near a private school and a bank facility. Parents were seen rushing to the school to get their children, while those in the bank fled the scene.

There were, however, conflicting casualty figures. While some said three died, others said four, while some said the figure had risen as of the time of filing the report. The Commissioner for Special Duties, Mr Femi Ogunbanwo, who visited the scene, said the rescued victims had been taken to the hospital.



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While noting that all the medical expenses would be taken care of by the state government, he assured that investigation was ongoing on the cause of the incident to avert future reoccurrence. Monkey Village renamed Meadows Village as demolition dislodges criminals' hideout

The Chairman Of Prosperous Ariori Golden Ventures earlier today made it known today Friday 15th of January when the Management of the Estate came to check the level of progress made on the site within two weeks of ejecting criminals out of the area.

A renown clergyman in the area who led the delegations to the site commended Governor Babajide Olushola Sanwoolu for dislodging the miscreants that has been tormenting the area for years.



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He also Commended The Developer Engineer Akeem Abiodun Ariori the Chairman Prosperous Ariori Golden Ventures for his resilient and bravery in handling the issue that he is style of management is worthy of emulation.

Another Octogenarian who simply referred to himself as Engineer Taiwo commended the Current Governor of Lagos State Mr Babajide Olushola Sanwoolu for yearning to the call of the residents of the area by dislodging the criminals out of their hideout says it's a commendable effort.

Engineer Taiwo said the residents of the area can now sleep with two eyes closed.

The Chairman Prosperous Ariori Golden Ventures who was incidentally at the site when the visitors came Thanked the delegations says Lagos State can no longer be an hiding place for criminals he urged residents to relax there mind .

Ariori in his remark Commended the Delegations for there visits says Lagos state Government led by Mr Babajide Olushola Sanwoolu are up to the task in kicking criminals and there pay masters out of Lagos.

He also urged the residents to sleep with there two eyes closed says all monkeys that has been occupying his client Land for years despite Supreme Court injunctions has been dislodged to the bush, Says Monkeys and there Boss (Gorrilla) will not return to his client Land . Says the place will no longer be referred to Monkey Village anymore, he thereby renamed the area as "Meadows Village" Ariori said.



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