Five die, 12 injured in Lagos-Ibadan expressway accident

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FRSC official crushed to death in Lagos

IVE people were yesterday confirmed dead, while 12 were injured in an auto crash along Lagos-Ibadan expressway.

The accident occurred at about 6:15a.m., around the Foursquare Camp, and involved a DAF truck, marked KMC 810 ZB, a Toyota bus, marked TMA-244b XA, and a Mitsubishi pickup van with no registration number.

It was learnt that the accident was caused by excessive speed, and loss of control on the part of the truck driver.

Although 21 persons were involved in the multiple crash, five people died, while 12 others were injured.

The Public Education Officer, Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Ogun State Command, Florence Okpe. who confirmed the number of casualties, said: "Due to the tyre blowout and loss of control, the truck fell and blocked the road. Both the



Scene of the accident

bus and the pickup van rammed into the fallen truck. 21 people were involved in the multiple crash, 12 people were injured, while persons ____ died. five

"The injured people were

taken to Victory Hospital, Ogere, for medical attention, while the dead were deposited at a morgue in Ipara community."

Okpe quoted the Ogun State Sector Commander of the

FRSC. Mr Anthony Uga, as advising motorists to desist from using sub-standard tyres and to also apply sense while driving during this season. rainy

The sector commander sympathised with families_ of the victims, advising them to visit the Ogunmakin Unit of the FRSC for more information on the accident.

FRSC has confirmed that one of its personnel was crushed by a Mack Truck which failed brake around Orile of Lagos. The agency said the de-

ceased officer was attenddistressed ing Volkswagen vehicles when the accident occurred. crushing him to the vehicle he was attending to.

A statement by the spokesperson for Lagos State sector Command. Olabisi Sanusi, said immediately the accident occurred, the driver of the Mack Truck jumped down and took to his heels. Sanusi said the corpse of the personnel had been deposited in the public mortuary, Yaba. He added that a manhunt had been launched against the fleeing killer driver.

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HE police in Osun Sodia dun Local Council of Osun Alamu. State, vesterday, appealed The Guardian learnt that 28-State. to indigenes of Ilobu and year-old Alamu was killed Ifon Orolu communities to along Opapa village in Ilobu

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