Two Passengers Die, Others injured AS 'Molue' Somersaults

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A 911 Mercedes Benz vehicle popularly called molue somersaulted and killed two of its passengers in Lagos on Thursday morning at the foot of the Agbongbon Bridge, Lagos Island.

Daily Independent learnt that the incident was caused by an

excessive speed.

Reports also said that the vehicle loaded with passengers was descending the bridge when it suddenly somersaulted, because it developed a brake failure, during which the driver lost control, the vehicle later hit the pavement of the bridge and tumbled more than threes times.

One of the passengers died on the spot while the other died in the hospital where he was rushed to hospital for treatment. Several others sustained diverse injuries.

Identities of the victims could not be immediately ascertained, and their corpses have been deposited at the Lagos General Hospital mortuary at Marina.

Injured persons were also taken to the hospital for treatment. However, the 'molue' driver and his conductor escaped unhurt. Reports said both took to their heels after the accident.

There was traffic bottleneck on the road until the officials of the Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA) got to the scene and removed the wreckages of the vehicle from the road.

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