

Three Die In Akwa Ibom Auto Crash

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Three persons were confirmed dead with one critically injured in a ghastly road accident at Itu local government area along the Calabar-Itu highway in Akwa Ibom State yesterday.

The accident, according to the spokesman of the Akwa Ibom command of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Paul James, occurred at about 5:am involving a Mack Truck with registration number, KMM 412 XA and a tricycle with registration number, ETN 815 WR.

Operatives of the corps, he said, had moved the injured to hospital for medical attention while the bodies of the deceased were deposited in a morgue.

Paul James, who doubles as the public enlightenment officer of the corps, blamed the accident on over-speeding on the part of the tricyclist and inadequate lighting systems from both vehicles.

"FRSC operatives mobilised and moved over swiftly to attend to the situation. Upon arrival at the crash scene, the injured was moved to a nearby hospital for prompt medical attention while the deceased were deposited at a morgue.

"After immediate evacuation of the victims, the road was cleared of the wreckages to enable free-flow of traffic."

In the same vein, the sector commander, Matthew Olonisaye, has urged road users to be extremely cautious about the foggy weather, while using the roads during early hours of the day due to poor visibility.