Two die, three injured in Ogun tanker explosion

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Two persons were yesterday burnt beyond recognition, while three others sustained injuries when a tanker laden with petrol exploded at Ilo-Awela Junction, at Toll-Gate area on Lagos-Abeokuta Expressway.

Mr Ahmed Umar, the Ogun Sector Commander of Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), who confirmed the development in Ota, said that the incident happened at about 1.30am yesterday.

Umar said the tanker lost control due to mechanical fault, fell and went into flame.

The sector commander said that 12 vehicles comprising three luxurious buses, four tricycles, three motorcycles and a yellow bus, were involved in the incident.

Umar said the bodies of the victims had been deposited at State Hospital, Ota, while the survivors, including two males and a female, were also receiving treatment at the same hospital.

He said that Fire Service officials cordoned off to prevent any secondary crash.

The sector commander said that the FRSC personnel and other sister agencies were also at the scene to control traffic.

He advised tanker owners to install safety valves and ensure that their vehicles were in condition before putting them on the road to avert unnecessary mishaps.