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Two die, three injured as truck rams into bus in Abakaliki



Tragedy struck early Saturday morning in Abakaliki, capital of Ebonyi state when a truck rammed into a commercial bus in front of **Ebonyi State University** (EBSU) Permanent Site, leaving two people dead and three others injured.

Sector Commander of Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), in Ebonyi State, Anthony Ogbodo said the crash occurred around 6:05a.m along the Abakaliki–Enugu Expressway.

The incident, which he said is classified as a fatal road traffic crash, involved a Mercedes 911 truck with registration number TTM467XA and a white Mitsubishi bus marked KMM426XA.

The Sector Commander, who attributed the accident to dangerous driving, said it involved ten occupants—seven men, a woman, a female child, and a male child.

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“Two passengers, a man and a woman, were confirmed dead, while three men sustained varying degrees of injuries”, Mr Ogbodo said

The Sector Commander said the FRSC Zebra 31 Unit in Abakaliki, which responded to the distress call within 10 minutes, evacuated the injured victims to the Federal Teaching Hospital Abakaliki (FETHA II) for treatment.

“The bodies of the deceased were deposited at the FETHA I morgue after medical confirmation”.

“The wreckage was cleared to restore traffic flow, while both vehicles were handed over to the police traffic division for further investigation”, he added.

The Sector Commander cautioned motorists against reckless and dangerous driving, warning that such behavior is the major cause needless loss of lives on the highways.