

Accident claims 5 lives in Lagos

NO fewer than five persons were burnt to death on Saturday in Lagos when the vehicle they were travelling in somersaulted and went up in flames.

The Spokesman of the Lagos Police Command, Mr Frank Mba told the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) that four others sustained various degrees of burns in the accident, which occurred on

Third Mainland bridge.

He said the accident occurred at about 11.30 am when a commercial vehicle, with Reg. No. FQ 893 AAA, which was traveling from the Island to the Mainland, lost one of its tyres.

Mba said the vehicle somersaulted and went up in

flames when the driver lost control while attempting to halt it.

The police spokesman said the injured persons were taken to Gbagada General hospital for treatment.

NAN gathered that rescuers found it difficult to pull out some people because they were trapped in the goods the vehicle was carrying.