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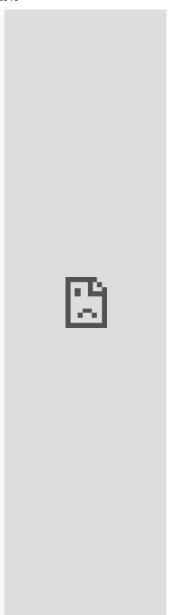
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Mum, 2 kids, other killed as truck rams into buses in Lagos

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ABOUT four persons were killed and two others injured early Friday in an accident that occurred in Ketu, Lagos State.

The victims, including a mother and her two children, lost their lives when a truck rammed into three commercial buses.

The Head of Operations of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Mr Lucas Oguntade, who confirmed the

development, put the number of the injured at two.

He said the victims were taken to the Mainland Hospital at Yaba, Lagos.

According to reports, human parts littered the scene of the accident as FRSC and other security agencies battled to remove wreckages of vehicles.

Witnesses said the accident involving a trailer carrying two containers and two commercial buses, popularly known as Danfo, occurred at about 5.10 a.m.

The witnesses said that three buses were loading passengers by the expressway when the trailer with registration number SMK 98 XE had brake failure and hit one of the buses.

It was learnt that immediately the trailer hit the bus, the bus rammed into the two Danfo buses with registration number SMK 406 XF and XH 318 KRD, crushing the buses with passengers inside.

The containers on the trailer, it was learnt, moved from their positions as a result of the impact of the accident and fell on the two commercial buses.

A witness said the rescue operation was not done immediately because there was no equipment to lift the containers.

One of the victims, a teenager in school uniform, reportedly begged people to save his mother who was still trapped under the container, after he was pulled out of the mangled vehicles, before he eventually died.

A witness said he learned the boy's mother had a baby strapped to her back.

An official of the Lagos State Transport Management Authority (LASTMA) said on the condition of anonymity that the agency's officials were at the scene in time but lacked equipment to rescue the victims.

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