School bus tragedy:

Association mourns death of 3 school pupils

THE National Association of Proprietors of Private Schools (NAPPS), FCT chapter, has described the death of three pupils in a school bus accident as shocking and disastrous.

The President of the association, Mrs Samira Jamira, expressed this view in an interview with the *News Agency of Nigeria (NAN)* in Abuja, on Monday.

According to the association, the death of three pupils of Je'nisi Little Drops International School, Lugbe, who lost their lives in school bus inferno on Thursday, February 1, was sad.

Jamira said the association had made it a point of duty to sensitise school authorities on the need to take adequate security measures to ensure the safety of school children while in school.

"It is so sad that lives were lost. We have done so many training for teachers, school drivers and school owners to ensure safety.

"But it is not everyone that attends our meeting; some of the school owners are not even our members.

"We will also continue to engage school owners and give them the advice we can; we cannot force them to do the needful because enforcement comes from the regulatory agencies."

Jamira, however, called on

the FCT administration and regulatory agencies to be alive to their responsibilities toward safety of pupils in school.

According to her, these regulatory bodies are supposed to embark on inspections of schools to ascertain the level of security vis-a-vis security gadgets like fire extinguishesr and the like.

She added that the regulatory bodies should ensure that buses used in conveying school pupils were in order with all the security gadgets.

"School owners must ensure that their buses are safe. Of course, sometimes, some things happen, but you must ensure the buses are in good condition.

"The drivers should also know the safety measure to take when such a thing happens and also the mode of communication is very important to assist in case of emergency.

Job seeker who posed as SAN arraigned in court

AYOMIDE OWONIBI ODEKANYIN - LAGOS

AN unemployed man who claimed to be a Senior Advocate of Nigeria was on Monday arraigned before an Ikeja High Court.

According to M. K Bashir, the counsel for the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission, the alleged SAN Omotavo Raphael was

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