

FRSC confirms 11 burnt in Anambra Boxing Day accident

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■HE Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Anambra State Sector Command, has confirmed that 11 people the Boxing Day accident

that occurred on Agulu said the accident occurred Lake Bridge by Awka-Ek-__at about 4:39 p.m. wulobia road in Anoacha Local Government Area of the state.

The Sector Public Education Officer, Margaret Onabe, who disclosed this were completely burnt in in a statement in Awka, the state capital, on Monday,

She said the crash involved three vehicles, and was caused by wrongful overtaking and excessive speed.

According to an eyewitness, the driver of a L300 bus was on top speed, overtook wrongfully and collided with a Mack truck, while a shuttle bus ran into the already-collided vehicles.

Onabe said 20 people were involved in the crash.

According to her, 11 people were killed, comprising three male adults, a female child and seven who were trapped in the L300 vehicle, who were burnt beyond recognition.

Five passengers from the Hijet shuttle bus were, however, rescued alive.

The injured victims were rushed to St Joseph Hospital, where four persons were confirmed dead by

the doctor on duty and their bodies deposited at the hospital's morgue.

Onabe said the sector commander of the command. Adeove Irelewuyi, sympathised with the families of the deceased and wished the injured victims quick recovery.