

# 2 Two killed in Kogi road accident

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TWO persons were killed on Friday night when a passenger bus rammed an articulated vehicle parked on the Lokoja-Obajana-Kabba road in Kogi State.

According to the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), one person was also seriously injured while 16 others escaped unhurt.

The state Sector Commander of the FRSC, Mr Stephen Dawulung, while briefing newsmen on Saturday in Lokoja, said the injured passenger was rushed to the Federal Medical Centre (FMC), Lokoja for medical attention, while the bodies of the deceased were also deposited in the mortuary of the same hospital.

Dawulung said the accident occurred at Apamaru village, before Gada Biu on the Lokoja-Obajana-Kabba road.

He said: "The cause of the accident was excessive speed and poor visibility since it was already night."

"This is part of the reasons we keep preaching to motorists to avoid night journeys so as not to endanger their lives and those of their passengers.

"That incident would have been avoided if the driver had not embarked on that journey knowing that his bus had poor lighting system.

"While I sympathise with the families of the deceased, I wish to advise drivers to avoid night travels because visibility is normally poor at night.

"Besides, drivers are also most likely to be under fatigue and sleepy at night and yet drive on top speed because the roads are relatively free of traffic at night."