

Five die in multi-vehicle accident on Lagos-Ibadan expressway

Truck crushes FRSC officer in Lagos

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FIVE persons on Sunday morning died in an accident involving two buses and a truck, which occurred before Foursquare Camp, on the Lagos-Ibadan expressway.

The incident, in a statement, by the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) Public Education Officer, Ogun State sector command, Florence Okpe, occurred at about 6:15a.m.

It was learnt that 21 people, all male adults, were involved in the accident, leaving 12 people injured, five dead and remaining unhurt.

A total of three vehicles, a DAF truck; Toyota bus and

a Mistubishi bus were involved in the accident.

Okpe said the suspected cause of the accident was excessive speeding; tyre burst and loss of control on the part of the truck driver, which made other vehicles to ram it.

The FRSC sector commander in the state, Anthony Uga, advised motorists to shun the use of sub-standard tyres and also apply common sense speed limit, especially in the rainy season.

In another development, an officer of FRSC was on Sunday crushed to death in an accident that occurred at Orile area of Lagos.

The deceased officer, Abiodun Ajomole, was

reportedly attending to a commercial bus driver when a truck lost its brake and rammed him and the commercial bus.

The FRSC command in the state confirmed the death of the officer, adding that he was on official duty when the accident occurred.

Spokesperson for FRSC in Lagos State, Olabisi Sonusi, in a statement on Sunday, said: "The Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Lagos sector command, wishes to confirm the crash video being circulated on social media involving one of the personnel of the corps, Marshal Abiodun Ajomole, of the Costain Unit Command.

"He was attending to a vehicle when a Mack truck lost control and rammed him. The immediate cause of the crash was brake failure.

"The incident occurred at about 2:20p.m. on September 16, around Orile/Iganmu Bridge where the team, led by DRC M.T Kpassu, was carrying out scheduled patrol activities.

"Investigations carried out so far indicated that the affected marshal was attending to an LT Volkswagen bus when a Mack truck with no number plate attached had a brake failure and rammed into the LT Volkswagen the Marshal was attending to."