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August 2, 2012 by Chukwudi Akasike, Port Harcourt

AT least five persons were killed on Wednesday in a ghastly

road accident in Port Harcourt, the Rivers State capital when a Mercedes Benz 190 saloon car collided with a Nissan car.

Two persons were also injured in the accident, which took place at Rukpokrushi along Airport Road at about 2.05pm.

An eyewitness, who identified himself as Christian, blamed the accident on over-speeding and impatience on the part of the drivers of the vehicle.

Christian explained that there was no immediate effort to rescue those involved in the accident as two of the victims who were still alive eventually bled to death.

“People watched when the accident happened; even some security agents could not come to the rescue of those that were seriously injure. At least two persons would have survived the accident if people came immediately to rescue them,” he said.

Two persons that injured in the accident were taken to a nearby hospital for treatment just as many bystanders watched in the disbelief the lifeless bodies of the victims.

The State Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission, Dr. Kayode Olagunju, who confirmed the incident, said a Mercedes Benz 190, ash colour with Registration Number AG 783 GBB and black Nissan vehicle with Registration Number AJ 877 DEG were involved in the road crash.

“Five persons were killed and two others injured in a road crash that occurred at Rukpokrushi along Airport Road, Port Harcourt at about 2.05pm today (Tuesday).

“Two vehicles were involved; a Mercedes Benz 190, ash colour with Registration Number AG 783 GBB and a black Nissan vehicle with Registration Number AJ 877 DEG,” the FRSC state sector commander said.

Though he did not say the reason for the crash, Olagunju urged motorists to shun over-speeding and always consider other road users when driving.

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Nduka August 2, 2012 at 12:56 am

This is so sad may their souls rest in perfect peace and other road users please limit your speedy as over speeding is dangerous coupled with the depleted condition of our roads.

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- *M&T* August 2, 2012 at 1:40 am

Sorry it is a pity.

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- *Wilsonic* August 2, 2012 at 3:09 am

May ther souls rest in perfect peace.Amen

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- *Save Me Oh God.* August 2, 2012 at 4:39 am

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- *Peter Dabara Gbagyi voice* August 2, 2012 at 4:52 am

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GEJ etc. The semi Goodnews in this administration is Buhari Caution on 2015 election rigging and the only goodnews is, ADAMS OSHOMOLE'S VICTORY. Is this the breath of fresh air or a curse? God pls heal my country, my father land Nigria.

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paul August 2, 2012 at 10:43 am

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OLUMINOUS August 2, 2012 at 10:55 am

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J lizzy August 2, 2012 at 5:50 am

This world is turning to somtin else, God ur mercy alone we need. May their souls rest in peace ;Amen;

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Hilary Suka Gbarane August 2, 2012 at 6:37 am

may God help us all, its raining season and we should all be patient when driving. five seconds braking will save several life.

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Engr. Roland August 2, 2012 at 7:25 am

It was really terrible yesterday when I saw the severe nature of this accident on my way back from work and I wonder what this people will be driving on such a busy road to have gotten themselves on such collision because both are moving on the same direction....May God help us!

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Atanda August 2, 2012 at 8:21 am

The perilious time has come so we must be expecting such,God will count us worthy in his kingdom

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Nduka August 2, 2012 at 8:24 am

All we need while driving is caution, Road safety officials and probably the police should try to check and control this over speeding, thats the way its done in the developed world because it has saved many lives

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• *Kingsley* August 2, 2012 at 8:46 am

Punch please get your fact right. The accident took place along Nigerian Airforce/Eliozu road (G.U. Akeh road). It was a case of over speeding. May their soul RIP.

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• *Precious David* August 2, 2012 at 8:50 am

May there soul rest in perfect peace INJ... Its such a pity people no longer have regards for life...

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• *Godwin.M Umoke* August 2, 2012 at 8:52 am

Pls, don,t drink and drive its kills, and pray always and check your speed arccording to the road conditions, and always watch the oncomeing traffics as well, and ur journey will be more saver bcs God help those who helps themselies they say. privemention is better than cure.

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• Joe August 2, 2012 at 9:17 am

@ Nduka. you should have made an investigation as regards the conditions of that road before making such comment. That road was just reconstructed by the Amaechi administration, and i consider it to be one of the best roads in PH. It was done by RCC with double layer tared, no single pot-hole on that road. The accident was due to reckless driving & over-speeding in an URBAN ROAD. What else do we want the government to do?

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• [Union voice](#) August 2, 2012 at 9:49 am

May God have mercy on their souls and grant them peace as they rest; but FRSC are not doing their work well; they should also endeavor to check vehicles with/out EFFECTIVE BRAKE SYSTEMS, take it or leave (break failure) contributes to 80% of road accidents. Many had died as a result of failure/s from others in the name of accident. PLS WAKE UP FROM SLEEP n SAVE LIVES ON OUR ROADS FRSC. (DO THE RIGHT THING)

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• [Kenny Handson](#) August 2, 2012 at 11:57 am

i hope some are not using this medium as 419 trap. nja

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• *Akeem Abibu* August 2, 2012 at 11:57 am

What a pity Death all over D places when wil nigeria have peace.BABA GOD HAVE MERCY

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• *anonymous* August 2, 2012 at 12:10 pm

government should fix the roads because that accident could be coursed by bad roads and also govt should stop import of second hand cars and bring more car manufactuers to nigeria so we can all afford new cars

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• *Sopuruchukwu* August 2, 2012 at 12:56 pm

Bad road is not the cause of this particular accident. It is such a smooth road. As somebody noted it is a newly reconstructed road by Amaechi through RCC. We Nigerian road users should be more cautious in the way we drive. Over speeding and reckless driving, lack of patience is one of our major problem which Govt or her agencies cannot handle. We always forget that there is

no hurry in life. No matter the speed you are plying you must get to where you are going. Safety is of the Lord but we have to contribute our quota by taking simple precautions. May their soul rest in perfect peace. We that are still alive and talking now should learn from what is happening to others.

If this had happened in East West road it would have been a different interpretation. Take a tour from Eleme Junction via Rumuodara to Choba you will understand how hail looks like. Please Gov. Amaechi, Minister of Works and President Goodluck kindly declare amnesty to this stretch of East West Road before calamity visits the unknown. It is a nightmare. What stops the Fed Govt from calling Julius Berger back no matter the agreement the reach with snail-tortoise walking SETRACO. Is the road meant to be completed? If yes, Let SETRACO stay clear, we beg.

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• *ussycul* August 2, 2012 at 5:10 pm

Ramadam kareem.

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• *Holy Prophet from SOKOTO State* August 2, 2012 at 5:58 pm

it is high time you get closer to the “MIGHTY ONE OF ISRAEL”, as you dont know whom next the hands of

death will swing to. If you die today while having CHRIST as your only SAVIOUR better ends awaits you, but if you die in such a tragic way while not having the MASTER OF PEACE in your lifehmmm.... my brother, please think twice!!!!!!!

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• *Ebibi odah* August 2, 2012 at 6:32 pm

Is dt d only solution u ve 2 offer in times like this? "May their soul rest in peace"? Don't be decieved, their souls will never rest in peace in hade until they got hold of d people who failed in their duty 2 rescue d two persons dt bled 2 death. Dana air crash no rescue team nd dis is land crash again no rescue team, where re d road safety commission. If u go 2 d town where there's a heavy traffic jam, u will see dem but highway, u won't see dem. They shld go 2 highway nd outskirt town where speed takes place nd positioned their ambulances 4 emergency period.

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• *Ukaegbu* August 2, 2012 at 10:24 pm

Gej do something on our road work oooooo haba!!! Abi u dey sleep?

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EREGOPE August 4, 2012 at 10:56 am

Only two people died not five. There were three survivors from the mercedes and one from the nissan.

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