## Three die, seven injured in Anambra crashes



· Scene of the Oyeagu-Agbagana accident

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HREE people have lost their lives and seven others injured in two separate road accidents in Anambra State.

PUNCH Metro gathered that one person was confirmed dead in a crash involving five vehicles on the Oyeagu-Agbagana Junction by Agbagana-Awka Road.

The second accident, which claimed two lives, occurred along the Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University Road, Igbariam.

The Monday crashes were attributed to brake failure and speeding.

Our correspondent learnt that a crowd of residents on the Ojukwu University Road attacked men of the Federal Road Safety Corps who came for a rescue operation.

The officials were said to have fled the scene without ascertaining the number of injured victims.

The FRSC acting Sector Public Education Officer, Margaret Onabe, said, "Up until now, we

can't explain why they threw stones at us. An accident happens and we come for a rescue operation and you are throwing stones. It may be frustration, which can cause misplaced aggression."

Our correspondent, however, gathered that one person died on the spot, while the second victim was confirmed dead in a hospital.

An eyewitness, who asked not to be identified, said the crash at the Oyeagu-Agbagana Junction occurred when a trailer had a brake failure and rammed into four other vehicles.

About 12 persons, comprising five male adults and seven female adults, were involved in the crash, which claimed one life.

As of the time of filing this report, seven injured victims had been taken to the Urban Hospital, Agbagana, while one corpse was deposited in the hospital's morgue.

The Sector Commander, FRSC, Anambra State, Dr Adeoye Irelewuyi, urged drivers to always check their vehicles and put them in good condition.

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