

Five die in Anambra road crash

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File photo; Scene of an accident

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The Federal Road Safety Corps, Anambra State Sector Command, has confirmed that five persons were killed in a road crash that occurred along the Nnewi-Okigwe Road by Chisco Park Junction in Amichi, Nnewi South Local Government Area of Anambra State.

Sunday PUNCH gathered that the fatal accident occurred around 9:30 pm on Friday when the driver of a tipper experienced brake failure and crashed into pedestrians on the roadside, resulting in multiple fatalities.

A press statement released by the Sector Public Education Officer, Margaret Onabe, said five other persons sustained injuries.

Onabe said 10 persons, including four male adults, one female adult, three male children, and two female children were involved in the incident.

According to her, preliminary investigations suggest that the crash was caused by brake failure.

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She said, “The truck, traveling at high speed, suffered brake failure and collided with other vehicles and pedestrians. The vehicles involved included a Mercedes-Benz truck with registration number NNE 893 ZG, a Honda motorcycle, and a Qlink motorcycle, among others.

“The Federal Road Safety Corps rescue team, after receiving the call this morning (Saturday), arrived at the crash scene within 31 minutes. The team managed traffic control at the crash site and visited the hospitals where the victims were taken.

“Reports from the Anglican Diocesan Hospital in Amichi indicated that six persons were brought to the facility, among whom three were confirmed dead on arrival, while one died later.

“The remaining two victims are currently responding to treatment. Reports from Pat Angelina Hospital in Amichi indicate that four victims were admitted with bruises and bone injuries. One male adult was confirmed dead, and the others are all responding to treatment.”