Four killed, others injured in Delta auto crash

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Four persons have been confirmed dead and others injured following a road accident that occurred at the Second Nigeria Bridge in Asaba, the Delta State capital.

PUNCH Metro gathered that the crash, which left four dead at the spot, three injured persons were rushed to the St. Rebecca Hospital on Monday.

An eyewitness said the accident involved a truck and two other vehicles along the Second Niger Bridge.

"We saw a truck carrying cement and was at its speed trying to navigate through the bridge, but couldn't control it. It eventually fell.

"The truck crushed two other vehicles and many people died, others sustained serious injuries and were rushed to the St Rebecca Hospital along Nnebisi Road," an unnamed eyewitness narrated

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While confirming the crash, the Sector Commander, Federal Road Safety Corps, Delta State Command, Mr Frederick Ogidan, blamed the truck driver for speeding.

He said, "They were trapped in the vehicle because the vehicle somersaulted, so our toll truck was there to rescue them.

"Four persons confirmed dead, the vehicle involved is not Dangote but a Bua truck that carried cement.

"It's unfortunate that a crash will happen on that very good road; it shows that the driver was probably speeding and lost control."

Ogidan called on drivers to be more careful, especially now that we are entering the "Ember months", urging them to obey simple traffic rules.