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One person died in a multiple accident which occurred at the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) Mega Filling Station at Naira

Triangle, Enugu on Tuesday.

The state Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), Mr. Edward Zamber, disclosed this yesterday in Enugu.

About 11a.m. on Christmas Day, a Mack truck had veered off its lane and rammed into six vehicles and two tricycles that were on the queues at the mega station living 15 people unconscious.

It was learnt that the truck veered off the road after the driver had made a turn at the triangular portion of the Enugu-Abakaliki Road where the station is located.

A witness told the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) that four persons must have died in the incident.

He said: "I have not seen anything like that multiple accident in my life. It was horrifying to me as well as other people at this filling station, when it happened."

Zamber, however, denied that more than one person died in the incident as FRSC officials were on hand to attend to the victims a few minutes after it occurred.

He said: "On the unfortunate incident, which FRSC officers and men attended promptly to, it is only one person that died in the multiple accident involving an articulated vehicle, six vehicles and two tricycles, while the remaining 14 persons who sustained various degrees of injury are responding to treatment in a nearby hospital.

"The public should disregard the lies being paddled in the social media that more than one person died in the unfortunate incident on Christmas Day."

The sector commander, however, advised motorists to maintain one or two queues each time they needed to buy fuel during fuel shortages at every filling station in order not to block roads and prevent the free flow of vehicle traffic.

He added: "As reported by FRSC officials on ground for the rescue, the truck hit mostly vehicles that formed additional lines from the single line file expected at that NNPC station, as the station is located at the middle junction of two major roads."

Man of the Year



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The founder of Crime Victims Foundation, Mrs. Gloria Egbuji, a lawyer and social scientist, who was at the presentation, said: "The CP has brought a lot of innovations. I have disturbed him up to 12 midnight. The way he responds to issues that have to do with women and children is unprecedented. The policemen working under him now understand his principles and strategies and are now toeing that line."

Responding, Edgal said: "I'm not accepting the award lightly. I'm accepting it with much apprehension. NOPRIN doesn't give award or accolades. When they said they were coming, I thought they were coming with another criticism. But we consider them as partners in progress. There's no quality service without criticism."

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"Though, we are yet to get the full details because some of our men, who were at the scene, are supposed to brief us over the matter."