

At least six people have been reported killed and 30 others injured on Friday after two cross-border buses had a head-on collision in Uganda's western district of Rukiga, police said.

The accident happened after a Rwandan bus belonging to Volcano Bus Company and a Kenyan bus belonging to Oxygen Bus Company had a head-on collision near Satellite Hotel, along the Rukiga-Ntungamo-Mbarara Highway, Elly Mate, Kigezi regional police spokesperson said in a statement.

Witnesses who talked to local media said that the driver of the Volcano bus switched lane crashing into Oxygen bus at around 4:00 a.m local time, the accident also claimed the lives of both drivers.

"Preliminary cause of the accident was attributed to too much fog and they (drivers) couldn't easily see what was ahead of them" said Mate.

The police spokesperson said the victims were evacuated to Lotom Health Center in Muhanga Town Council, Rukiga district.

Some of the injured were taken to Kabale regional referral hospital. Several other victims were rushed to different health units in Rukiga and Ntungamo districts.

The police spokesperson said that the Oxygen Bus Services coach was heading to Kampala enroute to Nairobi from Kigali while the Volcano Bus Company coach was heading to Kigali from Kampala.

According to social media, one of the victims who was in the accident is Jean Claude Gakuru alias Desaily, a former player for Mukura VS.