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19 die in Minna-Bida road crash

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Nineteen persons died at about 1:00am yesterday in a road accident along the Minna Bida express way. The accident which occurred 10 kilometres from Bida, according to Alhaji Shehu Abubakar, a witness, involved a Toyota Siena car and a commercial Hiace bus.

He said a white woman who was travelling alone in the Toyota Siena car also died. She was identified as Helen and believed to be an engineer with a construction company.

He said the Hiace bus which was carrying 18 passengers, was moving towards Minna on very high speed and attempted to dodge a pot hole but lost control and crashed into the oncoming Siena. He disclosed that everyone in both vehicles died before help could reach them, adding that the impact was so much that chances of survival were very slim.

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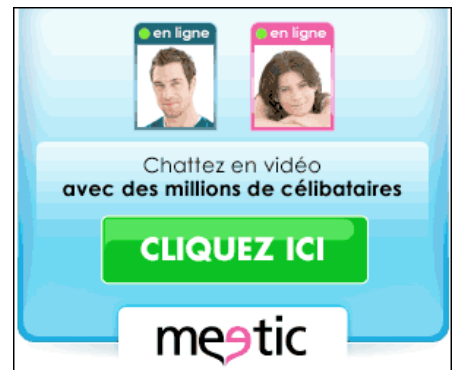


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