16 die, 17 injured in Ibadan multiple accidents



No fewer than 16 persons died yesterday in a multiple vehicles at the Ojoo-Iwo Road axis of the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway.

The spokesperson, **Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC)**, Mr Mayowa Odewo, told the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) in Ibadan that 17 persons sustained injuries.

He said two persons were injury-free of the 35 people, made up of 14 male adults, 10 female adults, six female children and five male children involved in the accident.

Odewo attributed the cause of the accident, involving four vehicles, to the brake failure of a Mack truck, marked AKM 548 ZY.

According to him, the other vehicles include a Nissan commercial bus, MUB 20 LG; a Nissan Micra taxi, BDJ 520 YC; and a private Honda Accord SUV, KRD 707 ER.

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He said the injured victims had been taken to a nearby hospital for medical attention while the corpses were handed over to the police.

"The accidented vehicles have been taken to Irepodun Police Station, along Agbowo-Ojoo Road, by the police.

"Sadly, no victim was saved by seat belts or other defensive gadgets," he said.

The spokesperson called for more cautious driving and proper vehicle maintenance to prevent loss of lives from avoidable road traffic crashes.