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3 police officers, 1 other die in Osun, Oyo auto accidents

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No fewer than three police officers of the Osun State Police Command, on Friday evening, lost their lives in an auto accident, which occurred in Osogbo, the state capital, during a patrol duty.

Sunday Tribune authoritatively gathered that the deceased officers who were attached to the Swift Action Response Squad (SARS) were on patrol along Iwo/Ibadan road when their vehicle was crushed by a vehicle coming from the Ibadan axis of the road.

Eyewitness informed that the accident, which involved the police vehicle marked Robot, happened at about 10.30pm around Ibikunle junction along the high way, creating a heavy impact as a result of the collision.

Two police officers, who narrowly escaped death during the incident, were said to be receiving treatment at a state government-owned hospital as a result of severe injuries they sustained in the auto crash.

Credible sources informed Sunday Tribune that the driver of the vehicle that hit the police patrol vehicle did not stop when the accident occurred as he sped off to avoid being lynched or arrested over the incident.

But some passersby rescued the surviving victims of the accident and rushed them to an hospital before officers from the state police command arrived the scene.

A senior police officer in the state, who confirmed the incident to our correspondent, however declined to disclose the hospital where the two survivors were receiving treatment.

When contacted, the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) of the state's police command, Mrs Folashade Odoro, said she was yet to obtain permission from her superiors to brief the media on the incident.

In another development, an automobile mechanic apprentice simply identified as Abdulahi, on Saturday, met with untimely death in an auto accident that also left three other people injured around the popular fowl market, Molete, Ibadan.

An eyewitness informed Sunday Tribune that the deceased was on errand to buy breakfast meal for one of his bosses around Ibadan Grammar School road when a wine-coloured Volkswagen Golf car lost control and crushed him to a branded noodles container in front of a house in the area. He died

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