

16 killed, five injured in Lagos accident

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1 SIXTEEN people died, while others sustained injuries in an early morning auto accident that occurred at Alaro City area of Epe, Lagos State, on Tuesday.

The accident, which oc-

curred at about 3:00a.m., involved a truck and a fully-loaded Toyota bus.

It was learnt that two out of the 23 passengers of the bus escaped with little or no injuries, while five others were seriously injured.

Spokesperson for the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC)

in the state, Bisi Sonusi, confirmed the incident to the **Nigerian Tribune** in a statement on Tuesday.

The FRSC spokesperson said: "The crash occurred at 3:00a.m. due to impaired visibility within the construction corridor.

"A total number of 23 male

adults were involved in the crash that claimed the life of 16 male adults, while the five injured were taken to the hospital by the FRSC rescue team.

"Two persons were rescued without any injuries.

"The vehicles involved in the crash were a white bus and an articulated truck (registration

number unknown)."

According to Sonusi, FRSC operatives and other emergency management agencies are on the ground ensuring prompt recovery and evacuation of the crashed vehicles.

She added: "The sector commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), La-

gos sector command, Olusegun Ogungbemide, therefore, advised motorists to always avoid night journey because of impaired visibility at that period.

"He also admonished the motoring public to always observe construction signage and speed limits at such zones."