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5 children, 11 others die in Osun auto crash

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NO fewer than 16 passengers, including five children, reportedly lost their lives in a fatal motor

accident that occurred on Friday evening in Odeomu, Ayeedade Local Government Area of Osun State.

Sunday Tribune, however, gathered that four passengers including the driver of one of the two vehicles that had a

head-on collision, a security officer and a corps member, survived and were taken to the hospital.

Though the Public Education Officer of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Mrs. Agnes Ogungbemi, told

Sunday Tribune that while official casualty figures remained unknown as of the time of filing this report, she added that "the commission would make available necessary information about the accident soon."

An eyewitness who spoke with *Sunday Tribune* stated that the accident involved a commercial bus and a Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV) which caught fire when they had a head-on collision.

According to the eyewitness:

"The vehicles involved went up in flames and nobody could go near them until the fire subsided. Sixteen bodies including five children were evacuated from the scene while four passengers escaped death."