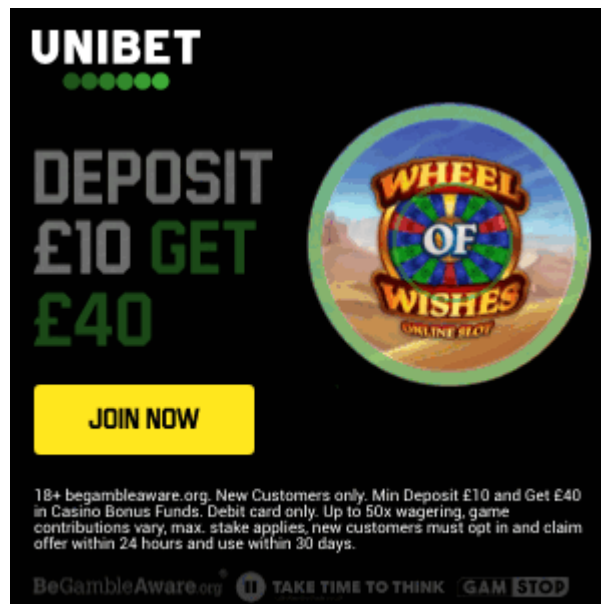


# 13 dead, one injured in Ondo road accident

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The Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Ondo State Sector Command has confirmed that no fewer than 13 people were burnt to death with one injured in a road accident along Ikare-Akoko/ Owo Road on Saturday.

FRSC State Sector Commander, Dr Samuel Ibitoye made this known in a statement made available to newsmen on Saturday in Akure.

He said, “FRSC regrets to inform the public about a road traffic crash that occurred today Dec.28, at Abule Panu before Ose Bridge, on Owo-Ikare highway, Ondo State.

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“The fatal crash which occurred at about 10:14 a.m. claimed 13 lives of commuters in two buses.

“A total of 14 people were involved, out of which 13 were burnt beyond recognition, while only one was rescued alive with serious injuries.

“Eyewitness account indicates that the bus coming from Ikare axis had a tyre burst which led to loss of control.

“This was resultant in a head-on collision with the bus loaded with fabric coming from Owo axis.

“Immediately after the collision, the two buses went up in flames. The men of FRSC, Police and Fire Service were swiftly at the crash scene for rescue.”

The FRSC boss said that the injured victim was taken to Federal Medical Centre, Owo, while the deceased were deposited at the morgue of the same hospital.

He, therefore, advised drivers to exercise patience on the roads and passionately maintain their vehicles.

“Passengers are also encouraged to speak out against dangerous driving because road safety is a concern of all,” Ibitoye said.