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11 passengers die in auto crash

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ELEVEN passengers, including four toddlers, were killed in a ghastly auto crash in Kobape, Obafemi Owode Local Government of Ogun State at noon on Monday.

According to the Sector Commander, Federal Road Safety Commission, Ogun State, Mr. Olu-Mike Olagunju, the accident, involving a truck marked *XJ 588 LND* and a *Mitshubishi* space Wagon marked *EX 751 LND*, occurred at about 12.30pm.

Olagunju added that the two vehicles had a head-on-collision at a spot on the Kobape-Siun-Sagamu Expressway.

The victims were said to be travelling from Abeokuta to Lagos in the commercial *Mitsubishi* Space Wagon, which the passengers boarded

at the popular Kuto Motor Park in the state capital.

It was learnt that the truck was loaded with bags of cement from a factory in Sagamu and heading towards Abeokuta.

Eye witnesses said the truck skidded off the road when its driver lost control, swerved to the other side of the expressway before crushing the passenger vehicle, conveying 14 passengers.

At the scene which was littered with blood and personal effects of the victims, motorists and other sympathisers were crying profusely over the fatal crash, where only three occupants survived but in critical condition.

Olagunju also explained that the corpses of the deceased had been deposited at the General Hospital, Ijaiye, in the state capital.

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