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Lagos autocrash: Five roasted to death

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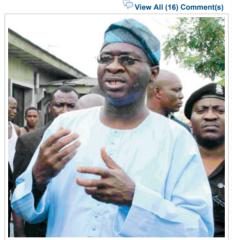
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Five people were reportedly burnt to death on Sunday morning when a bus crashed onto an electric pole at the Challenge Bus Stop end of Lagos-Agege Motor-Way, Lagos.

The bus was said to be conveying seven people and the driver from a party and was heading along Oshodi end of the Lagos-Agege Motor Way when the accident occurred.

According to a source, the impact of the crash was so severe that the bus somersaulted, and faced the direction it was travelling from.

It was learnt that after the incident, five people were burnt beyond recognition while two others sustained serious injuries and are receiving treatment.



Lagos State Governor, Fashola

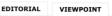
Rescuers had a hectic time pulling out dead bodies and the survivors from the mangled bus.

The driver of the vehicle escaped while the police are said to have mounted a manhunt for him.

The Lagos State Police Public Relations Officer, Mr. Frank Mba, who confirmed the accident to our correspondent advised motorists to avoid drink driving.

He said the accident occurred in the early hours of Sunday.

According to him, it was being suspected that the driver was drunk and so could not effectively control the bus. He added that the accident could have been avoided if the driver was physically and mentally alert.



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