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Auto crash: 18 die in Edo

By Our Correspondent
Sunday, 20 Mar 2011

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No fewer than 18 persons were feared dead on Saturday, as a Lagos bound commercial bus plunged into the **Ogbese River** between the border area of **Edo** and Ondo states.

Already, three corpses have been recovered from the **river**.

The bus, it was gathered, skidded off the road, after the driver lost control, having run into some ditches on the Benin-Ore Expressway.

Our correspondent learnt the bus which belonged to The Young Shall Grow Transport Company, was headed for Lagos when the accident occurred.

An eye-witness said more of the victims would have been recovered if rescue operations had commenced immediately after the accident.

He noted that a rescue team from the Federal Road Safety Commission, which arrived at the scene about 3pm recovered the three persons from the **river**.

An FRSC official, who simply gave his name as Martins, later confirmed that the agency had deployed a team to the scene of the accident at Ugbogi Village.

Speaking with journalists in the state capital, Benin, on Saturday, the National Coordinator of Save Accidents Victims of Nigeria, Eddy Ehikameno, said at least 200 persons had lost their lives in the last one year in **Edo** State.

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- May there soul rest in perfect peace,and federal govt should do something to our so called killer expressway.especially bridges,God bless NIGERIA

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- My name is ifeanyi.I saw that hurrable event.May there innocent & gentel soul rest in peace. Amen...

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