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Travelers on the Sagamu-Benin Expressway and residents of Ore in Ondo State on Monday watched helplessly as all occupants of a passenger bus were burnt to death after their vehicle was involved in a head-on collision with a trailer.

Our correspondent learnt that the accident occurred around 2.30pm when the driver of the Toyota Hiace with registration number, Lagos XK 501 EKY, drove against traffic to beat a gridlock.

The bus in the process rammed into a trailer with number plate, Delta XN 563 KWL, which was said to be on top-speed.

The Police Public Relations Officer in the state, Mr. Adeniran Aremu, confirmed the accident.

He said, “As a result of the collision, the bus went up in flames and within minutes, all the 18 passengers on board, including the drivers of the two vehicles were burnt beyond recognition.”

The Sector Commander of the Federal Roads Safety Corps in the state, Mr John Meheux, however, told our correspondent that four people were still alive and that they had been taken to Ore General Hospital for treatment.

He said, “The corpses of the victims have been deposited at the morgue of the general hospital.”

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