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Seven die in Osun road crash

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S EVEN passengers have lost their lives in a road accident at Ayorunbo Junction, Ilesha/Akure Expressway, Osu, Osun State.

The Osun State Police Command, while confirming the tragedy on Thursday, said it occurred around 5.30am on Wednesday.

The accident, involving a Mercedes Benz Sprinter bus with 15 passengers on board, was said to have occurred when the bus ran into a stationary truck.

Aside from the seven lives that were lost to the accident, *PUNCH Metro* gathered that eight other passengers with varying degrees of injury were rushed to the Obafemi Awolowo University Teaching Hospital, Ile Ife, for treatment.

The state Commissioner of Police, Johnson Kokumo, advised motorists to always adhere to safety rules while driving.

He decried preventable human and material losses that usually accompanied road accidents and restated the readiness of the police to keep roads across the state safe through intensified patrols and by ensuring road users complied with safety regulations.

Kokumo, who spoke through the spokesperson for the command, Folasade Odoro, said, "A Mercedes Benz Sprinter bus with number plate, NEN 461 ZD, with 15 passengers on board, ran into a stationary truck with number plate, NOS FST 701 XW, at Ayorunbo Junction on the Ilesha/Akure Expressway.

"In the accident, seven passengers were confirmed dead by a medical doctor, while eight others were taken to OAUTHC, Ile Ife, for treatment.

"The remains of the victims have been deposited in the hospital's mortuary for post-mortem examination."