

Ondo highway crash kills three, gridlock grounds expressway

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No fewer than three persons lost their lives in a motor accident which occurred at the in the Omifon end of the Ondo-Ore Expressway in the Odigbo Local Government Area of Ondo State on Sunday.

Many other people were also reportedly injured in the fatal accident.

According to an eyewitness, the accident involved a Toyota vehicle, which was heading for Akure, the state capital, and a commercial bus going towards Ore.

The eyewitness said the two vehicles had a head-on collision.

It was gathered that the accident caused traffic logjam on the expressway for many hours.

It was also learnt that the men of the state command of the Nigeria Police and the Federal Road Safety Corps, went to the scene to clear the road.

All efforts to reach the Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps in the state for comment was not successful.

But the command in a report sighted by our correspondent said the accident involved a Volkswagen car with number plate, BWR 148 AW, and a truck with no number plate.

The report added that the number of those that were killed in the crash was three and no person was injured.

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It said the accident was caused by speed limit violation and loss of concentration on the part of drivers of vehicles involved.

"The corpses were deposited at Opeyemi Hospital Ore," the report stated.

When contacted, the state Police Public Relations Officer, Mrs Funmilayo Odunlami, confirmed the incident.

She added that the men of the command were at the scene clearing the road as at the time of her conversation with our correspondent.

"Our men are still at the scene clearing the road," the PPRO said.

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