

# One killed as truck crushes passenger bus in Oyo

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FILE: FRSC officials at an accident scene

A truck driver driving against traffic on Wednesday crushed a passenger bus on the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway, leading to the death of at least one person on the spot.

Another passenger on the bus was injured in the accident, which happened about 12 kilometres before the toll gate at Ibadan, Oyo State

Some motorists told our correspondent in Ibadan that the accident happened around 9.30am.

One of them, Lekan Oyegbade, blamed the accident on the truck driver who he said came out of a quarry around the scene and drove against the traffic.

He said the wreckage of the bus was still at the scene when he got there, while belongings of those on the bus were scattered on the road.

The motorist noted that officials of the Federal Road Safety Corps removed the corpse and took the injured to a hospital.

Oyegbade said, “The truck faced oncoming vehicles on their lane and I was told the driver was speeding. The truck rammed into the passenger bus, killed an innocent person and injured another person.

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“You know that those truck drivers, after such an accident, will flee and that is exactly what this one also did. He knew that sympathisers could lynch him because the accident was avoidable, so he fled.”

The Sector Commander of the FRSC, Uche Chukwura, confirmed the accident to our correspondent on the telephone.

The FRSC boss said, “The accident happened after Dominion University on the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway today (Wednesday). Three male adults were involved in the accident. One person died and another one sustained injuries.”