Police confirm seven dead in Kogi crash

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The Kogi State Police Command has confirmed that seven people lost their lives when the bus they were travelling in somersaulted at Okura in

Ankpa Local Government Area of the state.

The state Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps, Samuel Oyedeji, had earlier confirmed three person dead, but the state Police Public Relations Officer, William Aya, in a late response on Saturday said seven people lost their lives.

"It was a lone fatal motor accident along Ankpa/Okura/Egume/Ayingba

road that involved a Toyota Hiace Bus.

"The accident occurred at Okura, where the bus somersaulted into the

bush. The driver and six other passengers lost their lives," Aya said.

Although he could not confirm the identity of the victims, sources, however, said they were members of the Social Democratic Party, who were on their way to Ayingba for a stakeholders' meeting.

Contacted, the spokesman for the SDP, Faruk Adejo-Audu, said he was not aware of the accident but promised to find out and get back to our

correspondent.

However, he was yet to do so as at the time of filing this report.