Falling container kills three on Lagos-Ibadan Expressway, Ondo crash claims four

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Iost their lives and 10
others were injured
in a fatal road accident at the
Stepdown area of Ore in the
Odigbo Local Government Area
of Ondo State.

It was gathered that the lone accident that involved a luxury bus with registration number: KSF 93 YG occurred on Friday evening when the driver was said to have lost control of the vehicle, causing the crash.

Speaking on the incident on Saturday, the state Police Public Relations Officer, Mrs Funmilayo Odunlami, said passengers of the vehicle were rushed to the hospital by the men of the police command.

She said, "Four people were confirmed dead and their remains were deposited at the hospital mortuary while 10 were injured and are being treated.

"Information has it that the vehicle left Port Harcourt for Lagos and on getting to the Stepdown area of Ore, he lost control and entered a ditch which led to the accident.

"The public is hereby advised to check on their loved ones who left for Lagos from Port Harcourt with Chisco Transport on the above-mentioned date."

Also, the Ondo Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps, Ezekiel Son'Allah, disclosed that "the victims were taken to Grace of God Medical Clinic, Omotosho, and dead bodies (were) deposited in the morgue of the same hospital" while the luggage and the vehicle were handed over to the Ore division of the Nigeria Police.

Meanwhile, three persons reportedly lost their lives in the early hours of Saturday around Mowe, along the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway when a container fell off a truck and crushed the victims said to be occupants of a Howo truck.

The crash, according to

a statement issued by the spokesperson of Ogun State Sector Command of FRSC, Florence Okpe, on Saturday, was caused by dangerous driving leading to loss of control

The statement partly read, "Three persons were involved, all male adults, and they were all killed by the container that fell and rested on the occupants of the HOWO truck. The suspected cause of the crash was dangerous driving and loss of control.

"The operatives tried to rescue the trapped victims but unfortunately the driver and two other people in front of the vehicle died. The bodies were taken to Idera Morgue, Sagamu.