

However, the accident in the Afin-Oke Agbe Road in Akoko North-West Local Government Area of Ondo State involved a Toyota Sienna bus, which was said to be heading to Abuja while the deceased were passengers on the bus. Nine other persons were said to have been seriously injured.

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It was gathered that the bus somersaulted several times as one of its tyres burst.

The Ondo Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps, Mr Ibitoye Samuel, confirmed the incident and said the remains of the deceased had been deposited at the morgue and the injured had been taken to the state General Hospital, Oke Agbe for treatment.

Meanwhile, no fewer than six persons have been killed while many others sustained injuries in a clash between rival cult groups at Ondo town, Ondo State on Tuesday evening.

PUNCH Metro gathered on Wednesday that the deceased were members of the Eiye Confraternity said to have been shot dead at different locations in Ife Garage, Sabo, and Christland areas of the town by some masked men suspected to be members of a rival cult group.

Our correspondent learnt that three of the deceased were shot dead in a bloody clash that occurred at Ife Garage, while the other one was killed at Sabo area.

The cause of the clash between the warring rival groups was yet unknown as of the time of filing this report.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Mr Olayinka Ayanlade, confirmed the incident and described the deceased as notorious cult members who had earlier been declared wanted by the state police command.

The PPRO said, “The command can confirm the murder of four people and five injured, all of whom belonged to one cult group or the other. I want to appeal to members of the community to go about their lawful business without fear or panic. Security agencies are on the ground to protect lives and property.”

The police spokesman stated that the men of the command had conducted a raid on Wednesday morning at New Garage, Ayeyemi in the same Ondo town, saying its action was to flush out the criminals in the town.

“Desperate times require desperate actions. Anyone arrested during the raid has one or two things to do with the clash. Our men have acted rightly, and if any of them is found to have acted wrongly, they will face disciplinary action,” Ayanlade stated