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COVER

At least four persons were confirmed dead yesterday in a car crash that occurred at Motunde Village along Ibadan/Oyo expressway.

Among the dead victims was a woman, while five other passengers aboard the Mazda bus with registration number XC 104 YYY, were critically injured as some others sustained some bruises.

It was gathered that the car crash occurred when one of the rear tyres burst, resulting in the vehicle somersaulting several times before coming to rest on its roof.

Due primarily to the intervention of providence, the fuel in the tank of the bus, which poured out did not ignite. This made it possible for the trapped passengers to be rescued from the wrecked vehicle. Personal effects of the victims littered the ground as sympathizers stopped to fan and pour water on some of the injured.

Among the critically injured was the driver, whose identity could not be ascertained. He had a deep cut on his head. All the surviving victims were promptly transported to the General Hospital, Oyo town for treatment, while the bodies of the dead victims were deposited at the hospital's morgue.

The car crash caused a traffic snarl, but men of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) and Operation Burst who arrived at the scene quickly organized to re-establish a semblance of order to get the traffic flowing again.

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