

12 die in Ondo auto crash

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From Bamigbola Gbolagunte, Akure

No fewer than 12 persons lost their lives yesterday evening in auto crash involving a Toyota Hiace bus.

Also, eight passengers in the bus sustained serious injuries.

The carnage was said to have occurred on Ajowa-Gedegede road bridge, which is still under construction.

According to the traditional ruler of the community and Onigedegede, Oba Walidu Ekun, it was the deafening sound of the vehicle around 3.00 pm that attracted the people of the area.

Confirming the incident, the State Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Vincent Jack, said his men went on rescue operation and took corpses to the State Specialist Hospital, Ikare Akoko.

He added that those who sustained critical injuries were referred to the Federal Medical Centre (FMC), Owo.

Jack attributed the accident to recklessness of the driver, urging motorists to be cautious on highways and avoid excessive speeding.