

# 18 die in Delta auto crash

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**About 18 passengers were yesterday feared dead following two auto crashes involving a luxury bus, a Toyota Sienna Multi Purpose Bus (MPB), a petrol tanker and a commercial bus.**

The luxury bus/MPB accident occurred at Alifekede, a community on the Agbor axis of the Benin-Asaba-Onitsha Expressway.

Local sources said the luxury bus ran over the MPB, which was said to be driving against traffic.

“The Sienna was plying one-way when suddenly the luxury bus, which was on the right of way, ran into it, causing pandemonium,” a source stated.

It was gathered that five persons were brought out dead from the damaged vehicles, as at the time rescue efforts were activated.

Other passengers in the ill-fated vehicles were brought out unconscious and rushed to the hospital, where medics further confirmed that most of them were dead already.

Officials of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) were said to be fully involved in the rescue operations.

Head of Operations of the Delta State command of the FRSC, Mr. Bakare Fatai Adesina, confirmed the incident but could not give further details as at the time of filing this report.