

6 die, 9 injured in Lagos-Ibadan Expressway auto crash

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Six persons were confirmed dead while nine others had various degrees of injuries yesterday in a ghastly accident involving an articulated vehicle and a Toyota bus around Car Park C on the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway. Mr Ahmed Umar, the Sector Commander, Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Ogun Command, confirmed the incident in an interview with the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) in Abeokuta.

Umar explained that the accident which occurred around 11.53am, was caused by the driver of the truck marked FZE 376 DI who drove recklessly, lost control and hit the bus with registration number

ZUR 843 XA from the rear. He said the driver of the bus immediately lost control and the bus summersaulted.

He said that 20 people were involved in the accident, which comprised 16 male adults, three female adults and one male child.

The sector commander explained that five male adults and one female adult died in the accident, while seven male, one female and one male child were injured.

He said that the driver of the truck tried to escape but was caught and taken to MTD Redeemed Police Division, Mowe.

The FRSC boss noted that the injured persons were taken to Olabisi Onabanjo University Teaching Hospital (OOUTH), Sagamu and Idera Hospital in Sagamu.

He added that the bodies of the deceased were taken away by their families for burial in accordance with Islamic rites.