

2 die, 14 survives, as passengers bus goes up in flame in Kogi

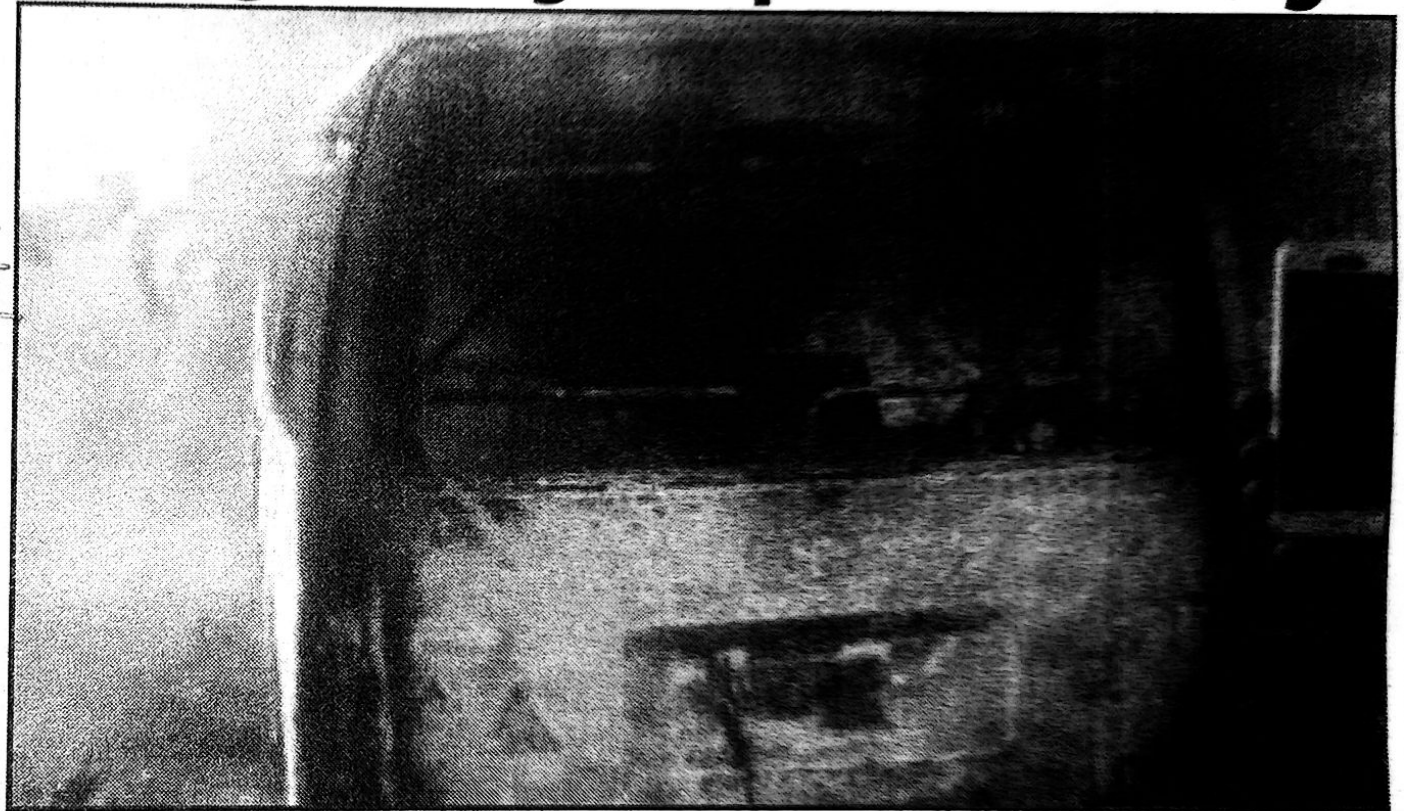
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Two persons were yesterday burnt beyond recognition, as an 18 seater Hiace bus conveying passengers went up in flames along Nataco area in Lokoja, the Kogi State capital.

However, 14 passengers survived as they were rescued by locals before the situation got worse.

There is not yet an official report from the Federal Road Safety Corps.

Even though the destination of the bus and where it was travelling from, is yet to be ascertained, as at the time of this report, the bus was believed to be travelling to Zamfara State, in the northern part of the country. Some of the passengers who were narrowly rescued in the inferno have been rushed to the Federal Medical Centre, Lokoja.



A passenger bus in flame

The number of casualties is yet to be ascertained as many of the passengers who got burnt in the incident are receiving treatment at the FMC, Lokoja and other health facilities in town.

The cause of the fire is equally yet to be ascertained, but a rescue team of the Federal Road Safety Corps have been deployed to control traffic and rescue those injured.