

10 die, two injured in Lagos-Ibadan Expressway crash

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No fewer than 10 persons were confirmed dead while two others sustained injuries in an accident along the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway.

The accident occurred on Saturday at the Oniworo area of the highway.

The Public Education Officer of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) Ogun Sector Command, Florence Okpe confirmed the accident to journalists in Abeokuta yesterday.

According to her, the accident involved two vehicles; a Toyota Haice bus with registration number KLD 539 XA and a Mack container truck with no registration number.

Okpe said the crash was as a result of road obstruction on the part of the truck and excessive speed on the part of the bus driver.

She explained that, the Toyota bus, due to excessive speed, lost control and ran into the obstructing truck from the rear.

"The fatal crash occurred at the early hours this morning at about 0430hrs on Lagos-Ibadan

Expressway around Oniworo Area.

"A total of 19 persons were involved in the crash which comprised of 13 male adult and 06 female adult.

"Two persons sustained injuries; two male adults, and 10 died; Seven male adult, two females and one female child, while the remaining persons were unhurt.

"Two vehicles were involved, a Toyota Haice bus with registration number KLD 539 XA and a Mack container truck, with no registration number on it.

"The suspected causes of the crash were road obstruction on the part of the truck and excessive speed on the Toyota bus which led to lose of control and ran into the truck at the rear", Okpe said.

She added that, the injured victims were taken to a hospital in Ogere for medical attention while the corpses were deposited at Ipara morgue.

She said the Sector Commander, FRSC Ogun, Ahmed Umar has urged motorists to always put on the head lamp when the weather is poor.