

Accident Claims 17 Lives

There were wailing yesterday as no fewer than 17 people including a pregnant woman were completely burnt to ashes, leaving only one survivor, a pastor, in a motor accident which occurred at Aramoko, area of Ekiti state.

The ghastly auto crash which involved a fuel tanker and an 18 seater Toyota Hiace commercial bus, with

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From Toba Suleiman

in Ado-Ekiti

Lagos colour, marked H390KRD Lagos, was said to have occurred at about 7am.

While the 17 people died instantly, following a fire outbreak, the driver of the

tanker was said to have escaped, leaving only the pastor and a child carried by his mother who was among those who died on the spot.

According to eye witness account, the 15,000 litre capacity tanker, which was coming from Lagos and heading towards Ado-Ekiti, collided with the Lagos bound passenger bus directly in front of the Ekiti State Ministry of Lands and Housing, Area office, Aramoko.

One Mr Onatunde Onaleye who narrated how the unfortunate accident occurred, told journalists that the tanker had lost its break from Ita-Ore, few kilometres away from the town until it got to the spot where it collided with the bus which was on top speed.

Counsels PDP Against Disqualification

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Annie Okonkwo.

In a statement made available to THISDAY, the former lawmaker said there has been the problem of imposition of candidates in Anambra PDP adding

that that was responsible for the emergence of the All Progressive Grand Alliance (APGA) government in 2003.

"The emergence of Ngige, the subsequent court actions, almost all the seats at the National Assembly were contested on intra-party basis", he said.