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Lokoja — Eighteen lives were yesterday lost in a ghastly motor accident that occurred at about 3pm along Lokoja -Ajaokuta road in Kogi State when a 18-seater bus was attempting to avoid head on collision with a commercial motorcyclist popularly known as Okada rider.Kogi State Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), Mr Yomi Asaniyan, confirmed the accident.

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An eye witness account has it that the bus sumersaulted, killing 17 passengers inside and the commercial motorcyclist operator who reportedly lost control. The source hinted that the bus driver was on a top speed when the accident happened, which was blamed for the high record of death.

"The 17 persons inside the bus died and the Okada operator too did not survive it to. They all died on the spot", the eyewitness volunteered. It was gathered that the bodies of the deceased were deposited at a mortuary.

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