

Osun Accident Claims 10 Lives

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No fewer than 10 persons died in ghastly motor accident along Eripa-Otanayegbaju Road in Boluwaduro Local Government Area of Osun State.

The incident, according to investigation by THISDAY correspondent, forced the residents of the ancient town of Eripa mourning as they trooped out to sympathise with the victims.

The victims of the accident, an eyewitness said, were said to have finished participating in an annual Oke Maria pilgrimage in Otan Ayegabju, Osun State and were returning when their bus lost control and rammed into a fence.

The pilgrimage held between Saturday and yesterday morning saw thousands of worshippers gathered for prayers at Oke Maria mountain located in Otan Ayegbaju.

The bus was said to belong to SS Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Lagere, Ile-Ife.

It was gathered that the vehicle lost control before ramming into a fence at the other side of the Iree/Eripa/Otan-Ayegbaju/Ila Expressway, causing the vehicle to fall in a ditch.