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AT least 15 people died, while three others were injured in a motor accident in Ifon, in Ose Local Government Area of Ondo State, on Saturday.

It was gathered that the accident, which occurred on Ifon- Sabogida Ora involved an 18 seater commercial bus, with registration number Lagos BR 638KJA and a trailer.

The bus, according to an eyewitness, rammed into a stationery trailer, killing 15 passengers instantly.

The three people that were injured in the auto crash were said to have been rushed to the General Hospital in Ifon where they were being treated.

It was further learnt that the Benin-bound commercial bus took off from Akure, when the driver ran into the trailer.

The accident was, however, blamed on poor visibility, as the bus rammed into the trailer that was said to have been abandoned at the spot for more than one year.

The driver of the commercial bus, according to another witness, was said to have lost control after trying to avoid a pothole and subsequently rammed into the stationery trailer.

Confirming the incident, the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Adeniran Aremu, said 14 people died, while three others were on admission at the hospital in Ifon.

Aremu said that policemen in Ifon division rushed to the scene and took the deceased and those who were injured to the hospital.

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