

8 burnt to death in crash

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eight persons were on Tuesday night burnt to death in a motor accident that occurred along Ilesha/Akure Expressway.

The accident, according to an eye witness, occurred when an 18 seater bus going from Ado-Ekiti to Lagos somersaulted and fell into a ditch where it caught fire.

Apart from those who were burnt to death, six other victims of the accident received various degrees of burns and are currently receiving treat-

ment at Wesley Guild Hospital, Ilesha, where they were rushed to.

A survivor of the accident who spoke with newsmen, Mrs. Funke Falade, said the passengers on board cautioned the driver over excessive speeding before the incident occurred.

She said that the 18-seater bus somersaulted several times before the entire bus caught fire and burnt the 8 passengers beyond recognition.

The victim remarked that help could not come to them and they were helpless be-

cause of the flame that engulfed the entire vehicle.

Consequently, the body of the deceased have been deposited at the Wesley Hospital, Ilesha, as at the time of filing this report.

The Police officers and the FRSC officials who confirmed the incident said the cause of the accident was due to over speeding of the driver.

They therefore appealed to commercial drivers to always be mindful of the fact that over speeding is dangerous and it can claim life if care is not taken.