

6 die in Ogun auto crashes

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ABEOKUTA—No fewer than six persons have lost their lives while 20 others sustained injuries in three separate accidents across Ogun State, yesterday.

No fewer than 26 people reportedly escaped unhurt from the crashes.

Spokesperson for the Ogun State Command of Federal Road Safety Corps FRSC, Florence Okpe, in a statement in Abeokuta, Ogun State, said the first crash occurred at Fidiwo on the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway about 3.40 a.m., and claimed two lives, while two persons were injured.

The accident involved a Toyota bus with number plate, GBJ915XA and another Golf car without a registration number.

The second crash occurred at 5.18a.m., on the Ijebu-Ode-Ore-Benin Expressway after Ajede junction involving a Toyota bus with number plate RBC213XT.

The passengers involved in the accident were said to be 20 out of which 17 were injured while three died.

"A total of 20 persons were involved, five male adults, nine female adults, two male children and four female children. Seventeen person sustained injury, nine female adults, three male adults, three

female children and two male children. While three persons died in the crash, two male adults and one female child.

"The cause of the lone crash was speed and fatigue. The injured victims were taken to Roona Hospital and General Hospital Ijebu-Ode while the corpses were deposited at the General Hospital morgue.

"Similarly, the third accident was recorded about 2a.m., along the Ijebu-Ode-Ore-Benin Expressway after the Ajebamidele Bridge.

"A South East-bound luxury bus reportedly rammed into an IVECO truck with number plate TRE265XB said to have been wrongfully parked on the road."