

Seven killed in Valentine Day tragedy

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AS families prepared for Valentine Day Wednesday, about seven families in Yenagoa, Bayelsa State capital and its environs had gloomy celebrations.

Seven people were killed in an accident that spared the life of a two-week old baby boy.

The accident which occurred at about 7.30pm Wednesday night near the football pitch of Okutukutu community in the Yenagoa metropolis involved a nine-seater Hiace commuter bus, AX 221 NTT that plied the Yenagoa -Mbiama transport route.

Eye witnesses said the bus which was driving into Yenagoa from the Mbiama axis collided with a lorry (Tipper) carrying chippings driving along the same direction.

The collision saw the bus being mangled.

All the occupants except a two-week old baby was found alive crying among the dead.

The driver of the Tipper, was, however, seized by commercial motorcycle riders who attacked him before handing him over to the police.

The bodies were taken to the state Federal Medical Centre (FMC) morgue.

As at the time of this report no one had claimed ownership of the bus.