Eight dead, 12 injured in Lagos-Ibadan road crash















AN accident involving multiple vehicles on Lagos-Ibadan expressway has left eight persons, including a child, dead and a dozen others injured.

The accident, which occurred on Wednesday evening around 7:56p.m., involved seven vehicles – two hummer buses, three tankers, a truck and Toyota Sienna SUV car.

Witnesses blamed the cause of the crash on recklessness driving, which led to a container falling on two commuter buses.

"In the ensuing commotion, other vehicles lost control and rammed into each other," a witness said.

The vehicles involved are LSR560XJ (Toyota Hummer bus), XD792EZA (TOYOTA Hummer bus), LND04XX (DAR Truck) and APP196BQ (Toyota Corolla car).

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Others are DED776XA (Tanker), APP248XT (Tanker) and ABC512ZV (Toyota Siena SUV).

The Route Commander, Florence Okpe, who is also the Public Education Officer, Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Ogun State Command, said those injured were evacuated to the Olabisi Onabanjo University Teaching Hospital (OOUTH), Sagamu, and FAMBIS Hospital, Mowe.

The bodies of the dead, she added, were also deposited at the OOUTH Mortuary, Sagamu.

Mrs. Okpe said the FRSC Ogun State Sector Commander, Clement Oladele, has commiserated with the victims and advised the public, whose relatives travelled during the period, to contact the FRSC Commands in Sagamu, Mowe or visit the two hospitals.

The FRSC Sector Commander advised motorists to note that the entire stretch of the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway is still undergoing rehabilitation, enjoining them to observe the maximum speed of 50-kilometre per hour in compliance with the National Road Traffic Regulations 2004.

