

# Auto crashes: 5 die in Ogun, 3 in Oyo

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**N**O fewer than five persons, including an infant lost their lives in an auto crash over the weekend on Sagamu/Siun/Kobape expressway.

The accident, which involved a wine coloured Nissan pickup van, marked LAGOS UM 364 KJA and an Iveco truck, marked LAGOS XX 532 JJJ, occurred some few meters to Day Waterman College on the expressway.

The incident was confirmed by the Public Relations Officer of Ogun State Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Agency (TRACE), Mr Babatunde Akinbiyi. He said that the pick up van lost control as a result of burst.

Akinbiyi said that the occupants of the Nissan pickup van were members of the same family.

The vehicle was said to have veered off its lane and rammed into a truck on the other side of the road.

He said that corpses of the deceased had been deposited at the morgue of

the state hospital in Ijaye, Abeokuta.

In Ibadan also, three people lost their lives while 15 were injured in an auto accident when two commuters collided at Awolowo Road junction, Bodija area, on Sunday.

An eyewitness account informed the Nigerian Tribune that a Lagos bound Volkswagen bus with registration number LAGOS LSR 945 XH and Toyota bus registered as OYO AJ 91 MNY, carrying passengers were involved in the collision.

The source further informed that the accident was caused by over-

speeding as the driver of the Lagos-bound bus was alleged to have drunk while bottles of beer were found in his bus.

The source informed "The Lagos-bound bus was coming from the University of Ibadan end of the road while the other bus was coming from the Secretariat end. At the intersection, the Ibadan bus wanted to negotiate the bend to Awolowo Road but the Lagos-bound bus was on high speed, leading to the collision. If the other bus had exercised patience before negotiating the bend, the accident would have been averted.

## NGE seeks justice over murdered journalist

BY NURUDEEN ALIMI

THE Nigerian Guild of Editors (NGE) has called on the Commissioner of Police in Lagos State, Umar Manko, to as a matter of urgency bring the killers of a journalist, Toyin Obadina, who was killed by suspected armed robbers in Lagos recently,

to justice.

According to a statement signed by NGE President, Femi Adesina, the body described the death of Obadina who until his death was the Deputy Editor, Saturday of Newswatch magazine, as not only agonising and horrendous, but quite sickening.

"All men of the fraternity of the press which