Family of nine die in Oyo/Ogbomoso road accident

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A man, his two wives and six children, nine in all, were reportedly killed in an auto accident involving an articulated vehicle and a passenger bus, on Oyo/Ogbomoso road early Wednesday.

The man, Mr Muftau Gbadamosi, was the chairman of National Union of Road Transport Workers (NURTW), Ahoyaya motorpark, Ogbomoso.

His two wives, Hadija and Idowu, were traders and were travelling in a wine colour Nissan wagon car.

Sources informed the Nigerian Tribune that the man was conveying his family members to their place of work when he had a head-on collision with an articulated vehicle.

Of the nine children in the bus, only three survived and were, at the time of filing this report, in critical conditions at Bowen Teaching Hospital, Ogbomoso.

A one-month old baby, Yinusa, was among those who died in the accident.

Confirming the accident, the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Adekunle Ajisebutu, said eight people died in the accident.

"I can confirm the accident.
A driver and seven members
of his family, totalling eight,
lost their lives.

"Corpses deposited at the Ogbomoso General Hospital, Arowomole, for autopsy. The offending driver is in the police custody. Investigation is ongoing," he said.