

4 die, 4 injured in Lagos-Ibadan highway accident

NO fewer than four persons were confirmed dead while four others sustained injuries in a lone accident around Pipeline Junction, Ogere, Ogun State, on the Lagos-Ibadan expressway. Spokesperson for the

Ogun State Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Corps (TRACE), Mr Babatunde Akinbiyi, confirmed the incident to the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) in Abeokuta on Thursday.

Akinbiyi noted that the accident occurred at 4:30 a.m. on Thursday and it in-

involved a Man Diesel truck marked TKP 653 XA conveying people and also loaded with tubers of yam.

He explained that the accident involved 14 people, comprising 13 males and one female, saying that four males died while another four males sustained injur-

ies.

He said: "I learnt the vehicle was coming from the North in-bound Lagos and loaded with yam.

"The casualty was much because some of the passengers who are also likely owners of the yams were seating on them in the open

space at the back.

"The truck lost control due to excessive speed and poor visibility and fell on its side while the yams fell on passengers."

Akinbiyi said the bodies of those who died had been deposited at the FOS Mortuary, Ipara Remo, Ogun,

while the injured were taken to Idera Hospital in Sagamu.

He advised motorists to maintain their vehicles, avoid speed and night travel if possible, especially now that the harmattan season is here, with poor visibility everywhere.

Gunmen kidnap 60-yr-old woman in Ondo