2 dead, 6 injured in Ogun auto crash

TWO persons were on Thursday killed in a lone accident which occurred at Awowo village on the Lagos-Abeokuta expressway.

Spokesperson for the Ogun State Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Corps (TRACE), Babatunde

Akinbiyi, confirmed the incident to the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) in Abeokuta.

Akinbiyi, who said six other passengers sustained various degrees of injury, explained that the accident occurred at about 11:53 a.m. following loss of con-

trol by the driver who according to witness, was on top speed.

He disclosed that the eight passengers involved comprised two males and six females, including the driver.

He said one male and one female passenger died in

the accident.

"According to an eyewitness, the mini bus was inbound Abeokuta with excessive speed, which led to loss of control at a bend before it eventually somersaulted.

"The driver was among

those injured in the crash," he said.

Akinbiyi said that the two corpses had been deposited at the Ifo General Hospital mortuary, while the injured were taken to Ijaiye General Hospital, Abeokuta.

He commiserated with the

families of the deceased and warned motorists against speeding while driving, especially during rainy season. He also advised motorists to be watchful and learn to reduce their speed when approaching either a bend or on intersection area.