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## 15 women crushed to death in Imo market, 8 die in Osun accident, 36 injured, 7 die in Lekki

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TRAGEDY stuck on Saturday at Umuozu, Nwangele Local Government Area of Imo State as no fewer than 15 women were crushed to death and others severely wounded, when a truck lost control and ran into a crowded market in the local Meanwhile, no fewer than ity.

The incident, which happened around 12noon, occurred at the popular Nkwommiri Market near the Nwangele River.

Sunday Tribune gathered that the brake of the truck failed and its driver lost control, while descending a hill on the intersection between Anara- Orlu and Orlu-Amaraku Expressway.

Eve eyewitnesses said that some of the victims, who

lost their lives during the accident, were dragged into a nearby river, adding that the community was still battling to retrieve others who were trapped between the truck and other vehicles as of press time.

The police Spokesperson in the state, Orlando Ikeokwu, when contacted confirmed the incident.

eight persons were also confirmed dead on Saturday morning in Osogbo, Osun state capital when a driver of a Volvo FL7 truck, with registration number KMC 35 ZJ. lost control of the vehicle while climbing the popular November 27 Inter-bridge in the town.

According to eyewitnesses, there were 61 passengers with palm oil, kola nuts and other items inside the truck 3 Similarly, no fewer than involved in the accident.

which occurred around 1:20am of the day due to the over-speeding by the driver while ascending the bridge.

Out of the 61 passengers, 36 were injured and had been taken to the state teaching hospital complex and Asubiaro General Hospital, Osogbo, for proper medical attention, while the corpses of the eight who lost their lives during the accident, were deposited at the residence of the head of the Hausa community in Osogbo for immediate burial.

Speaking on the incident, the state Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps, Mrs Kudirat Ibrahim, commiserated with the families of those who lost their lives in the disaster, urging road users in the state to always avoid excess speeding.

seven persons lost their lives

in an auto accident on the Lekki-Epe expressway in Lagos State on Saturday afternoon. The Lagos State sector of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) confirmed the incident and blamed it on effect of alcohol.

The accident, which happened at Sapati area of the expressway involved a Sports Utility Vehicle (SUV) and a truck.

The deceases persons, two vet -to-be identified males and five female others, were all occupants of the SUV with the Registration No AGL953GQ and reportedly ran into the truck.

The spokesperson of the FRSC in Lagos State, Route Commander Olabisi Sonusi, confirmed the incident in a statement signed by him on behalf of the state sector commander, Olusegun Ogungbemide.

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