

Eight die in auto accidents

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EIGHT persons died in auto accidents in Lagos between Friday and Monday, according to reports made at police stations in the city.

○ On Saturday, at about 5.45am, the two tyres of a commercial Coaster bus with registration number AX 195 KJA, pulled out on motion at Abule Ado on Lagos-Badagry Expressway.

The impact of the accident made the bus to somersault and it immediately went up in flames just as a few lucky passengers in it scrambled to extricate themselves out of the wreckage.

However, an unidentified woman and her baby were not so lucky. They got burnt in the inferno.

Traffic officers, who later visited the scene, removed the corpses and deposited them at a mortuary.

○ Similarly, one Lucky Eze, the driver of a Honda Civic car with registration number DA 78 AAA, and his boss, Peter Chukwuma, died in another auto accident.

Both men were staff of a frontline insurance company and were on their way to work when the accident occurred.

It was learnt that the accident happened at Agemuwo on Lagos-Badagry Expressway when Eze allegedly lost control of the car and it collided with a Mazda bus marked XA 59 FKJ.

Eze and his boss died immediately while two other passengers of the bus sustained serious injuries.

○ Also, on the same day, a truck marked AE 172 TYA, driven by one Muhammed Ibrahim, ran over a male pedestrian on Apapa-Oshodi Expressway.

The unidentified victim died on the spot and his corpse had been removed and deposited at the mortuary.

○ Four other persons also lost their lives in two separate accidents that occurred within the metropolis on Monday.

Spokesman for the Lagos State Police Command, Mr. Olubode Ojajuni, confirmed all the deaths to our correspondent on Wednesday.