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Eight die in Ilorin-Jebba road crashes

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Three separate accidents between Tuesday and Wednesday on the Ilorin-Jebba road in Kwara State have claimed the lives of eight people.

The separate auto crashes, according to the Federal Road Safety Corps, involved six petrol tankers and a car at Olooru-Kanmbi, in the Moro Local Government Area of Kwara State and at the NNPC loading Depot in Oke-Oyi.

Eyewitnesses said one of the accidents occurred when one of the tankers, heading to the NNPC depot at Oke-Oyi in the Ilorin East Local Government Area, had a head-on collision with another one coming from the depot.

It was also gathered that another tanker, loaded with diesel had a head-on coalition with another one coming from Jebba, also in the Moro LGA. There was also a private car badly damaged in the accident by the tankers.

The the Sector Commander of the FRSC in Kwara State, Mr Gbenga Owoade, said, "The accidents happened at different times along same route.

Owoade said, "Their remains have been deposited in the morgue of the University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital, while two people, who survived the accident with critical injuries, are in the Intensive Care Unit of the hospital."