

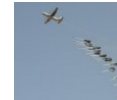


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At least nine persons yesterday lost their lives in a ghastly motor accident on Akure/ Ilesa express road. The accident, which occurred at Ileri junction on the express road, sources said was caused by over speeding.

It was gathered that seven persons lost their lives on the spot, while two others died on their way to the hospital. The Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) while confirming the accident said it occurred at 10.30am when the vehicle, a Toyota hiace bus coming from Akure, with high speed ran into a ditch.

The Unit commander of the FRSC in Ilesa, Mr David Gaya who confirmed the accident and the death of the victims said the remains of the deceased had been deposited at the morgue of the Obafemi Awolowo University Teaching Complex (OAUTHC), Ile-Ife.

He said some survivors are receiving treatment at the OAUTHC while some were also rushed to the Ladoko Akintola University of Technology (LAUTECH) Teaching Hospital, Osogbo where they are also receiving treatment.

The accident led to heavy traffic as motorists parked on the road for several hours. The registration number of the vehicle involved in the accident could not be ascertained as at the time of filing this report, but it was learnt that officials of the FRSC had towed the vehicle to the Ilesa office of the FRSC.

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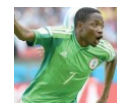
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