

# Auto crash kills eight in Ogun

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**A**BEOKUTA—NO fewer than eight persons, yesterday evening, lost their lives in an auto crash which occurred along Ibadan-Lagos Expressway in Mowe, Obafemi-Owode Local Government Area of Ogun State.

*Vanguard* gathered that, the accident occurred as a truck driver tried to turn on the highway. A commercial vehicle on a high speed rammed into it.

The commercial space-wagon with eight occupants was reported to be heading to Lagos from Abeokuta.

An eye witness told *Vanguard* that all the eight occupants, including the driver, died on the spot.

The source said that it took the accident rescue team almost an hour, before the corpses of the victims could be re-

trieved from the wreckage.

It was gathered that many motorists and passengers plying the road could not hold back tears when they saw the gory scene as the battered bodies of the victims were being removed from the scene.

Confirming the incident, the Sagamu Unit Commander of FRSC, Mr Lasisi Ogundele, said the bus was marked LAGOS GGE 540 XC while the articulated vehicle was marked YOBE XB 503 FKA. According to Ogundele: "The Mitsubishi Bus, coming from Abeokuta with nine passengers was on a very high speed when it collided with the truck from the rear. We understand that the trailer stopped abruptly as it was trying to make a turning on the highway and the commercial bus coming from the rear just collided with it."