

Two dead, three injured in separate Lagos road accidents

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Two persons have died while three others sustained injuries in separate accidents that occurred around Iyana Iba and the Volkswagen axis of the Lagos-Badagry Expressway over the weekend in **Lagos State**.

A motorcyclist and a pedestrian lost their lives in the Iyana Iba crash, while two others were injured in a separate accident along the Volkswagen stretch of the expressway.

The Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA) confirmed the incidents in a statement issued on Sunday by its spokesperson, Adebayo Taofiq.

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According to the statement, a fatal crash involved a heavily loaded bucket truck which struck a pedestrian along the Iyana-Iba flyover inward the main gate of Lagos State University on the Badagry Expressway.

Preliminary findings indicated that the truck was reportedly speeding from the Volkswagen axis towards Badagry when it hit the pedestrian.

The driver allegedly failed to stop after the impact and continued driving along the corridor.

In a bid to intercept the fleeing vehicle, a motorcyclist, accompanied by another individual, pursued the truck to compel the driver to stop.

However, the truck reportedly rammed into the motorcycle during the chase, killing the rider instantly, while the accompanying person escaped unhurt.

LASTMA operatives, alongside its Night Gang Surveillance and Monitoring Patrol team, later arrived at the scene and evacuated the body of the deceased motorcyclist, which was trapped under the truck.

The driver of the truck was arrested by LASTMA officials and handed over to security operatives at the PPL Police Post, Okokomaiko, as well as officials of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) for further investigation.

The remains of the motorcyclist were taken away by FRSC officials, while the body of the pedestrian, who was killed earlier, was released to his family after they were notified.

In a separate incident at Iyana Iba, a Lexus saloon car reportedly rammed into a commercial motorcycle carrying a passenger while allegedly driving against traffic on a restricted flyover.

Both the rider and the passenger sustained serious injuries, including multiple fractures, and were rushed for medical attention.

The General Manager of LASTMA reiterated the agency's commitment to sustained surveillance, enforcement, and collaboration with security agencies to improve road safety across the state.

He described the crashes as a painful reminder of the dangers of reckless driving, particularly among truck and commercial vehicle operators who violate traffic regulations.

He further urged motorists to obey speed limits and exercise caution at all times, especially during night operations, to prevent avoidable loss of lives on Lagos roads.

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