

In another statement, Taofiq disclosed that a hit-and-run driver caused the death of a truck driver in the Shangotedo area of Eleko, Lagos State.

According to him, a 40-foot containerised truck had fallen by the roadside, prompting the driver to place a caution sign to alert other motorists.

He noted that while the driver was attempting to place the sign, a careless motorist struck him from behind.

He continued, “Upon receipt of distress notifications, the LASTMA 24-hour Night Gang, actively monitoring vehicular flow overnight within the corridor, swiftly deployed to the scene and secured the accident zone to forestall secondary collisions.

“In a deeply distressing turn of events, while the truck driver was conscientiously attempting to deploy a ‘C’ caution sign to alert oncoming motorists, a recklessly speeding vehicle struck him.

“The errant driver absconded without rendering assistance, leaving the victim grievously injured. The impact resulted in the instantaneous death of the truck driver.

“LASTMA rescue operatives promptly evacuated the deceased from the carriageway and handed over the remains to officers of the Elemoro Police Station. A comprehensive investigation is ongoing to identify and prosecute the fleeing driver.”

Reacting to the accidents, the LASTMA General Manager, Olalekan Bakare-Oki, expressed condolences to the families of the victims.

“He sternly cautioned motorists to exercise heightened safety consciousness, comply strictly with traffic laws, and observe regulated speed limits as stipulated by the Lagos State Government, stressing that excessive speed and disregard for warning signs remain lethal contributors to road fatalities.

“LASTMA reaffirms its unwavering resolve to enforce road safety regulations and appeals to motorists to uphold patience, vigilance, and reverence for human life, especially during emergencies on the highways,” Taofiq added.