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Accident claims five on Lekki-Epe Expressway

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...As police arrest suspected highway car robbers

Five persons recently lost their lives to an accident that occurred at Sangotedo, on Lekki-Epe Expressway, Lagos, when a commercial Volkswagen LT bus collided with an oncoming Murano jeep at the weekend.

Samuel Jinadu, spokesperson, Lagos police command, who confirmed the incident, weekend, said that preliminary investigation showed that the driver of the bus reportedly lost control as a result of excessive speeding, and in the process, somersaulted, colliding with the jeep, killing five persons instantly.

"Besides the lives lost, the driver of the bus and other occupants of the two vehicles also sustained injuries," Jinadu noted, adding that the police had begun investigations into the cause of the accident.

Meanwhile, the police in Lagos have arrested a suspected gang of robbers, which specialised in dispossessing people of their vehicles on the expressway.

Jinadu disclosed this while parading two of the suspects, who had successfully snatched a vehicle at Ijebu-Ode, on the Benin-Shagamu Expressway, when they were arrested.

"The gang, armed with dangerous weapons, was nabbed after snatching a Toyota Hiace bus, with registration number XM916-KTU."

According to him, items recovered from the suspects include a locally-made pistol, a laptop, handsets and an undisclosed amount of money.



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