

Woman dies, 5 others injured in Lagos autocrash

A middle-aged woman died, while five others sustained serious injuries in an early morning accident yesterday on the Lagos/Ibadan expressway at Ojodu, close

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pay greater attention to the next population census exercise more than ever before.

"I want to enjoin all Ijebu at home and abroad to make sure they are counted in the next head-count.

"You must ensure that everyone in your family is counted as population and not only land mass is a criteria for state creation," he advised.

According to him, if we are not counted, we may not be able to have things that we ordinarily

to the Berger Bridge.

Witnesses told the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN), that the accident occurred at about 7 a.m. when a truck with registration number XA 229 JGB carrying planks, rammed into a Mercedes Benz 190 car with registration number BR 275 FST.

"The truck hit the car from behind and they both hit a PHCN pole before going into a ditch, dragging along some overhead electricity cables. This immediately resulted in a huge blow-out," the witness added.

The witness, a highway cleaner with the Lagos state government, explained that they had just cleaned the area before the crash.

Mr. John Sawyer, a team leader of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), at Ojodu, who

was at the scene, told NAN that they were on patrol duty on the expressway when they received a distress call.

"We got here at about 7.30 a.m. We were told that three persons were in the Mercedes car. We found a woman's body when we arrived and we were told that the injured had been taken to the General Hospital by sympathisers.

"We are taking the corpse to the Ikeja General Hospital," Sawyer added.

The corpse was conveyed in an FRSC patrol van with registration No. RS 516 A01

NAN reports that the planks in the truck were scattered in the ditch, while motorists who parked their vehicles to see the accident caused a traffic jam on the expressway.