

5 dead, 8 injured in multiple crashes on Lagos-Ibadan Road

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Five people have died while eight others sustained injuries in multiple accidents along the Lagos-Ibadan expressway.

The first crash occurred on Saturday night and claimed three lives and seven others injured.

The accident involved two vehicles, a Toyota Hiace bus with registration number RLG 846 XA and a trailer marked JJN 32 YX at the Conoil filling station axis along the highway.

The spokesman of the

Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) in Ogun State, Florence Okpe, confirmed the accident on Sunday in Abeokuta.

She stated that the accident was caused by over-speeding, which led to loss of control on the part of the driver of the bus.

According to her, a total of 18 people, comprised of 16 men and two women, were involved in the accident.

She noted that seven persons were injured while three persons died from the crash.

Okpe said the injured victims were taken to

Idera Hospital, Sagamu for medical attention and the deceased deposited at the morgue of the hospital.

She quoted the Sector Commander, Anthony Uga, as warning motorists against over-speeding, saying that "commonsense speed limit is the best."

The second crash occurred on Sunday afternoon after a driver lost control of his vehicle and veered off the Lagos-Ibadan expressway.

The crash occurred near Iperu-Ogere bridge, en route to Sagamu-Interchange at about 02:38 pm.

"Two male adults were confirmed dead and one female adult sustained injury," the FRSC spokeswoman, Florence Okpe, said.

Okpe said the driver of the Toyota car with registration number, JJJ25HS, engaged in speeding.

According to her, the driver lost control and ran into a drainage by the roadside.

The injured victim was taken to Victory Hospital, Ogere for medical attention while the corpses were deposited at the FOS morgue, Ipara.