## Molue Crashes On Third Mainland Bridge, Kills Three

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No fewer than three people, including a pregnant woman, were feared dead on Thursday when a commercial bus popularly called *Molue* crashed on the Third Mainland Bridge.

The accident occurred at 8a.m. Apart from the dead, local divers, fishermen, officials of the Lagos State Ambulance Service and Lagos State Fire Service rescued three others.

Foot-wears, handbags and blood-stained clothes of the victims littered the highway while the accident caused a heavy traffic iam.

It took officials of the Lagos State Transport Management Authority (LASTMA) and traffic policemen from Oworonshoki more than four hours to ease the congestion. Eyewitnesses said the 911 Mercedes Benz bus was heading to Ebute-Ero, Lagos Island from Oshodi with full passengers when it lost one of its rear tyres.

At press time, Naval personnel were still searching for the remaining occupants of the ill-fated bus.

The survivors were rushed to Gbagada General Hospital for treatment.

Meanwhile, LASTMA officials had towed the bus away.