

Five killed, five injured in Lagos crashes

FIVE persons have been confirmed dead after being crushed by vehicles in separate accidents in Lagos.

The deceased, four of whom were members of two families, died on the spot at Sangotedo, Ajah and Ojodu in Isheri areas of the state Tuesday morning.

It was gathered that the Sangotedo incident involved seven members of two families who were jogging around 6:30am.

The Nation gathered that a saloon car at top speed suddenly skidded off its lane and knocked down the joggers.

It was learnt that four of the victims—two from each of the families—allegedly had their heads crushed and died on the spot, while the other three were rushed to hospital.

However, another account of events claimed the other three siblings had gone to the bus stop to visit and help their mother display fresh tomatoes for sale before the crash.

At Ojodu Bus Stop, witnesses said a car also at top speed swerved in an attempt to avoid colliding with an oncoming vehicle only to ram into an old woman and two siblings standing on the road.

"I was on my way to work. It was



• One of the crash scenes

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around 10:30am when I saw a horrible accident. The accident occurred shortly after police checkpoint.

"A car was coming at top speed and when it got to the junction, it almost collided with another

vehicle," said a source.

Police spokesman Bala Elkana confirmed the incidents, saying that the two drivers were in custody.

He said the siblings involved in the Ojodu accident did not die, confirming that the old woman who was

standing with them died.

"I confirm that there were two accidents. That of Sangotedo involved seven persons. At Ojodu, an old woman was killed but the two young siblings are receiving treatment in the hospital," he said.

'Brother-in-law poured me