

# One dead, four rescued in Third Mainland Bridge accident

THE Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA) has confirmed the death of one person and the rescue of four others in an accident that occurred on the Third Mainland Bridge, the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) has reported.

LASTMA General Manager, Mr Olalekan Bakare-Oki, made the confirmation in a statement on Monday in Lagos.

Bakare-Oki said he promptly led LASTMA officials to the scene of the accident, which involved a J5 Ford bus and a Mercedes truck at Ilubirin, in-ward Sura, on the Lagos Third Mainland Bridge.

The LASTMA boss said he spearheaded the rescue operations with the support of concerned bystanders, adding that four victims were extricated from the wreckage, three of whom were rescued alive.

"The accident occurred earlier today [Monday], and it claimed one life, an individual trapped inside the J5 Ford bus laden with pepper and other perishable goods, who succumbed to his injuries," Bakare-Oki said.