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Fourteen persons were said to have lost their lives in two separate road accidents which occurred on Lagos-Ibadan Expressway.

The accidents occurred between Wednesday and Thursday respectively.

On Thursday, an accident involving a diesel tanker with number plate MKA 338 ZB on its way to Ibadan and a luxury bus with number plate AAA 656 XN on its way to Lagos from Abuja, occurred at Ogunmakin area on the expressway around 4am.

According to the Ogun State Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps, Mr. Adegoke Adetunji, four people died in the accident and 10 others were injured.

While the one that occurred on Wednesday involved two trailers at the same Ogunmakin axis, one of them with number plate LSR 392 SB loaded with cows alongside 27 passengers on top of the vehicle, had collided with another trailer with number plate XE 444 KTU.

Ten people reportedly died in the accident while 20 others were injured.

Assistant Corps Marshal, Zone 2, Lagos, Mr. Nseobong Akpabio, has urged the motoring public to be more careful on the road, as he warned against night travels.

He said, "Drivers should ensure that their vehicles are in good working condition, including brake lights, reverse lights, turn signals and any functioning lights.

"We completely discourage all Nigerians from travelling at night, irrespective of the emergency in view of its associated dangers and consequences.

"All patrol teams have been briefed to carry out strict enforcement on all corridors and impound all non-roads worthy vehicles and test drivers who are susceptible to driving vehicles under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Anyone arrested will be prosecuted."

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