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## Two dead, seven injured in Lagos crashes

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Scene of the accident, Photo: LASEMA

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Two persons were, on Wednesday, confirmed dead, while seven others were injured after three trucks, a fuel-laden tanker and a commercial bus collided at the Anthony area of Lagos State on Tuesday.

*PUNCH Metro* learnt that the accident, which occurred around 9.30pm on Tuesday, involved two tipper lorries with number plates AKM 741 ZT and AKM 322 ZT, a

fuel-laden tanker with number plate U 779 XZ, a containerised truck with an unknown number plate and a commercial bus with number plate KTU 198 XN.

Our correspondent gathered that the accident, which was caused by reckless driving, resulted in the death of two female passengers in the bus.

It was learnt that emergency responders at the scene included the Lagos State Emergency Management Agency, Lagos State Ambulance Service, the LRU Ambulance, the Nigeria Police, Lagos State Fire Service, the LRU Fire Unit and the Lagos State Traffic Management Authority.

Confirming the accident, the Public Relations Officer, LASEMA, Nosa Okunbor, said, “Upon arrival at the scene of the accident, it was discovered that multiple crashes involving two tipper lorries with number plates AKM 741 ZT and AKM 322 ZT, a fuel-laden tanker with number plate U 779 XZ, and a loaded 40-feet containerised truck with unknown number plate crushing a commercial bus with number plate KTU 198 XN as a result of reckless driving, thereby trapping the occupants inside the bus and causing vehicular obstruction on the main carriageway.

“However, the bus was forced open with the aid of the agency’s light rescue equipment and six adults and a child were rescued with varying degrees of injury and were given first aid treatment by the agency’s paramedics before been taken to the Gbagada General Hospital by the LRU ambulance and Lasambus; unfortunately, two female adults lost their lives at the scene of the accident.”

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