



Two killed, nine injured in Ogun multiple crash

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A truck driver and his assistant reportedly fled the scene of an accident after ramming into a bus, killing one and injuring nine others along the Sagamu Express junction of Ogun State on Sunday.

This is just as a motor assistant lost his life when a containerised truck crashed along the Odo-Gomez area of the same expressway on Sunday.

The first accident, according to a Sunday statement by the spokesperson of the Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Agency, Babatunde Akinbiyi, occurred at about 9:48 am along the Remo Majestic Hotel axis, inbound Sagamu Area Express Junction, Sagamu-Benin Expressway.

Akinbiyi disclosed that the accident involved a Bus Mass Transit vehicle with number plate FFF 282 XC and an unregistered Sino truck.



The TRACE spokesperson added that eyewitness accounts indicated that the truck was at high speed when it lost control and rammed into the bus conveying 10 passengers.

He said, “Based on the eyewitness account, the truck lost control due to overspeeding and rammed into the BMT bus with a devastating impact.”

He added that the injured persons were taken to Idera Hospital while the bodies of the deceased were deposited at the morgue of the same hospital.

“After the end of the rescue exercise, more injured victims were recorded totalling nine. All the injured victims were from the bus including the dead. Regrettably, the driver and motor boy of the truck that caused the accident ran away.

Giving an update on the second accident, Akinbiyi disclosed that a motor assistant reportedly died when a containerised truck crashed along the Odo-Gomez area of the expressway.

The accident occurred at about 11 am on Sunday.

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He said, “Another fatal lone RTA involving a containerised truck inbound Sagamu Area Command Junction around “Odo Gomez” has just occurred. The motorboy attached to the vehicle is presumed dead.”

He noted that the injured victims and dead bodies from both accidents were taken to Idera Hospital and the hospital morgue respectively.

“The accident vehicles have been towed to allow for traffic flow while the presumed dead bodies have been taken to Idera morgue, and the injured to Idera Hospital respectively,” Akinbiyi said.

The TRACE spokesperson, however, expressed condolences to the victims’ families while urging motorists to shun speeding when driving on the highway.

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“While TRACE, ditto FRSC and the police commiserate with the families of the dead and injured victims, motorists are again urged to eschew speeding because of its attendant consequences,” he concluded.

PUNCH Metro reported on May 11 that one person died in a road crash that occurred along the Ayedere village in the Obada area of the Ewekoro Local Government Area of Ogun State.

Akinbiyi had confirmed the incident in a statement.

Akinbiyi said the accident involved three persons with two of the victims sustaining injuries.

He had attributed the cause of the accident to speeding, saying it led the vehicle to tumbled to the opposite section of the highway due to loss of control and the slippery nature of the road.

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