TRACE cautions speeding drivers after Lagos-Ibadan Expressway crash kills five

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The Commander-General and Chief Executive Officer of the Ogun State Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Agency, 'Seni Ogunyem

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No fewer than five passengers lost their lives while 12 others sustained varying degrees of injuries in an accident that occurred at the Carpark C section of the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway on Wednesday.

PUNCH Metro learnt in a traffic update by the spokesperson for the Ogun State Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Agency, Babatunde Akinbiyi, that the accident occurred when a Mazda bus rammed into a truck.

Akinbiyi noted that the truck was attempting a make a turn at the Carpark C area when the Mazda bus, which was at high speed, rammed into the truck.

He disclosed that "19 people were involved in the crash, five people died in the accident, 12 were injured while two escaped unhurt."

He added, "The vehicles involved were one yellow Mazda bus with number plate LGB 465 XA and one ash-coloured Howo truck with number plate KKU 167 XA.

"The driver of the Howo truck was trying to make a turn at Carpark C but due to impatience and excessive speed by the Mazda bus driver, he rammed into the truck from the rear."

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Akinbiyi urged motorists to always exercise caution and shun excessive speeding while on the highway.

"While TRACE, FRSC, and the Police commiserate with the families of the deceased, drivers are again warned against excessive speed because of its attendant consequences," Akinbiyi stated.

He added that the injured victims were rescued at the Redeemed Christian Church of God Hospital, while the bodies of the deceased were taken to the Olabisi Onabanjo University Teaching Hospital and Idera morgue in Sagamu by officials of the Federal Road Safety Corps.

PUNCH Metro reported a similar accident at the same spot on April 18, which left two people dead and two others with severe injuries.

The Commandant General of the Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Agency, Seni Ogunyemi, disclosed that the accident occurred at about 10 pm.

He noted that the accident happened when a Mazda bus that was at high speed rammed into a truck that was making a turn at the Carpark C axis.