

One killed, two injured in Lagos road crash

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Hiradat Hassan and Isreal Olabisi

A driver was confirmed dead on Monday after his Toyota Highlander rammed into a commercial bus at Volkswagen, inward Mile 2, Lagos State.

This was disclosed in a statement by the Director of Public Affairs State Traffic Management Authority, Adebayo Taofiq.

According to LASTMA, the Highlander, with number plate APP150I crashed into a commercial bus, marked KJA328XH, which was ille. Meanwhile, in a separate incident, two injured as a Toyota Hiace bus collided with a mini bus, popularly known as Korope.

“The driver of the Highlander Jeep died instantly at the scene of impact,” the statement read.

LASTMA said its officers moved quickly to secure the scene, removed the body from the wreckage, and handed it over to the Ojo Police Division. The police later moved the remains to the C-Niger Mortuary in Abule Ado.

The agency added that the vehicles involved were taken to the Ojo Police Division for further investigation, while traffic in the area was cleared.

The General Manager of LASTMA, Olalekan Bakare-Oki, who condoled with the victim's family, warned motorists against speeding and advised commercial bus drivers to only pick up passengers at designated bus stops.

"Bakare-Oki admonished commercial bus operators to confine all passenger activities strictly to designated bus stops provided by the government to safeguard lives and maintain order.

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"He further issued a stern caution to motorists against overspeeding, emphasising the necessity of ensuring that vehicles, particularly braking systems, are in sound and optimal working condition prior to embarking on any journey within or beyond Lagos State.

"The sanctity of human life must never be compromised by recklessness.

In a related event that occurred on Monday, two passengers were injured in a collision involving a commercial minibuses and a commercial minibus, popularly called Korope, at Oba-Ogunji Road.

In a statement, Taofiq said, "Preliminary accounts revealed that the vehicle, which was travelling at considerable speed, inadvertently obstructed the path of the oncoming Mini Bus (Korope), which was travelling at considerable speed.

"The resulting impact left two passengers within the Mini Bus grievously injured, whereupon they were swiftly rescued by operatives of the Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA).

“Following the rescue by LASTMA personnel, the victims were immediately handed over to security personnel from the Pen-Cinema Police Division, who subsequently conveyed them to the General Hospital, Ikeja Odo, for urgent medical attention”.

Taofiq added that LASTMA officers quickly removed the vehicles from the road to ease traffic before handing them over to the police for further investigation.

“It must be emphatically noted that, under the provisions of the Lagos State Transport Sector Reform Law, 2018, reversing on the highway constitutes a grave traffic infraction.”

