

Minor, five others killed in Lagos auto crash

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File: LASTMA GM, Bakare-Okunribido

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Six persons, including a child, lost their lives, while nine others sustained varying degrees of injuries in a fatal road crash at the Ibeju Bus Stop along the Lekki–Epe Expressway, Lagos, on Monday.

The Lagos State Traffic Management Authority confirmed the accident in a statement signed by its Director of Public Affairs and Enlightenment, Adebayo Taofiq.

According to LASTMA’s preliminary report, the accident was attributed to speeding and reckless driving.

While two men, three women and a child were said to have been killed in the crash, LASTMA disclosed that four other passengers escaped unhurt.

The statement added that three males and six females were rescued by LASTMA officials with support from the Federal Road Safety Corps, the police, and the Lagos Neighbourhood Safety Corps.

LASTMA disclosed that the victims were rushed to the Federal Medical Centre, Epe, and Hammond Hospital for treatment, while the bodies were deposited at the FMC morgue.

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According to the preliminary investigation, the crash involved a blue Volvo FL6 truck loaded with planks and a white commercial bus marked AKD 336 YD.

The General Manager of LASTMA, Olalekan Bakare-Oki, commiserated with the bereaved families and cautioned motorists against dangerous driving, especially during the ember months.

He warned that “speed thrills but ultimately kills,” emphasising that most accidents were due to human recklessness rather than supernatural causes.

Bakare-Oki urged drivers to embrace patience, discipline, and defensive driving, while commending the swift response of emergency agencies that restored order at the scene.