

# Two killed, three injured in Ogun road crashes

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Babatunde Akinbiyi, spokesman of the Ogun State Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Corps,

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No fewer than two people lost their lives in three road crashes that occurred along the Abeokuta-Sagamu Expressway and the Ijebu-Benin Expressway on Tuesday.

This is just as three people sustained varying degrees of injuries in the road crashes, which were blamed on speeding and dangerous driving.

This is coming barely two days after a fleeing driver knocked a pedestrian dead along the Ogudu area of the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway.

PUNCH Metro learnt on Tuesday from the spokesperson for the Ogun State Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Agency, Babtunde Akinbiyi, that the first accident, which happened at about 12 pm along the Ijebu-Benin Expressway, involved four people.

According to Akinbiyi, one person was killed while two others sustained different injuries in the crash along the Ogbere section of the expressway.

He said, “A fatal RTA at the Ogbere Bridge along the Benin-Ore/Ijebu-Ode Expressway at about 1250hrs. Four people, including two males and two females, (were involved). It involved a Hilux vehicle and a truck.

“According to an eyewitness account, the driver of the Hillux drove in a direction prohibited by the traffic law and had a head-on collision with the truck

“One male adult died, and two female adults sustained injuries. The injured victims were rushed to Ola Oluwa Hospital, Ogbere, by TRACE operatives, and the presumed dead victim was taken to Ijebu-Ode General Hospital morgue by FRSC.”

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The other accidents, according to Akinbiyi, were cases of hit-and-run that occurred along the Abeokuta-Sagamu Expressway.

He noted that one person was injured after he was knocked down by a hit-and-run driver at the Siun junction of the expressway, but the victim was swiftly rescued by a Good Samaritan.

Another incident of a hit-and-run accident occurred at the Kobape junction, some kilometres away from the Siun junction, which led to the death of a pedestrian.

“A case of a hit-and-run accident happened at the Siun Junction. Traffic was not affected, and the injured victim was rescued at the Sun Health Centre by a Good Samaritan.

Another case of hit-and-run occurred at Kobape inbound Siun. The driver was apprehended at Day Waterman axis by residents, while the corpse was taken by the Owode Police Command for further action,” Akinbiyi concluded.

PUNCH Metro reported on Monday that a fleeing driver knocked down a pedestrian along the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway after trying to dangerously manoeuvre a truck.

The Lagos State Traffic Management Authority spokesperson, Adebayo Taofiq, who confirmed the incident, however, noted that operatives of the agency were able to apprehend the driver.