

3 died, 14 injured in Lagos auto crash

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Three passengers of a 17-seater commercial bus yesterday lost their lives after a truck crashed into their vehicle at the Berger area of the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway.

The driver of the overloaded LT bus, KRD 326 XG and 14 others were injured.

The injured have been admitted at the Lagos State Accident and Emergency Centre at the Tollgate area while the remains of the deceased were deposited at the Lagos Mainland General Hospital morgue.

The General Manager of the Lagos State Emergency Management Agency (LASEMA), Mr. Michael Akindele, who confirmed the accident, said the agency received an alert about the accident via the 767/112 emergency numbers of the state.

Akindele said he was informed via the alert of an accident involving an LT commercial bus with registration number KRD 326 XG and an articulated truck, without a registration number, along Lagos Ibadan expressway inward toll gate by Corn Oil filling Station which occurred at about 5.36 am.

According to him, preliminary investigation revealed the accident was as a result of reckless driving of the truck driver.

Meanwhile, armed robbers yesterday stormed a commercial bank in Apapa and shot dead a customer, Kingsley Chukwudi. Daily Sun gathered that 25-year-old Chukwudi, was on his way to the banking hall before he was shot by the hoodlums who suspected he was carrying money.

"The robber opened fire on him immediately he left the banking hall suspecting the bag he was carrying was full of money," a witness disclosed.

The witness who spoke under the condition of anonymity told Daily Sun that Chukwudi was a private security guard in one of the companies in Apapa.

"He was carrying his laptop bag and the robbers thought he was going to deposit money into the bank."

The state police spokesperson, Dolapo Badmos, who confirmed the incident, said hoodlums attempted to rob a bank customer and he was shot as they felt he was blocking their way.