

# 7 die in Niger road crash, 1 in Lagos

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**THE** Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) has confirmed Seven persons dead in a road crash in Panti, along Bida-Mokwa Road in Lavun Local Government Area of Niger State.

Also, one person died in another accident that occurred in Lagos.

According to the FRSC First Information Report (FIR), Kutigi Command, the crash in Niger state, occurred at about 18:09 on Monday at Panti, a location along the Bida-Kutigi road.

The report stated that two vehicles involved in the crash were, a Toyota Corolla with registration number ANW 243 AH, and a white Jack truck with an unknown registration number.

The truck was traveling from Lagos to Abuja, while the Toyota Corolla was heading from Batati to Kutigi (Jipkan).

The report indicated that a total of nine persons were involved in the crash, comprising of four males and five females.

Unfortunately, seven people lost their lives in the crash, including two males and five females.

The FRSC stated that the cause of the crash was attributed to speed, loss of control, and dangerous driving.

The corpses of the victims were taken to the General Hospital, Kutigi, for confirmation and later handed over to their relatives for burial.

The wreckage of the vehicles were left in the custody of the MTD Kutigi Police Division.

In another development, a multiple accident has killed one person in Lagos.

The Lagos State Emergency Management Agency (LASEMA), on Wednesday, confirmed the death of one person in a multiple

accident involving two trucks and motorcycles.

The agency's Permanent Secretary, Olufemi Oke-Osanyintolu, who confirmed this in a statement, said that the accident happened at Mile 2, inward Cele in Lagos.

"Following distress calls received through the 767 and 112 emergency toll-free lines, LASEMA activated its response team from Cappa Base, Oshodi.

"Upon arrival at 12:10 am in the overnight recovery operation, LASEMA discovered that there was an accident involving a Mack truck with registration number EPE-516YA, conveying a 40ft container.

"The accident also involved another truck with unknown registration number and conveying a large quantity of vehicle engines and two motorcycles.

"Further investigations

revealed that the truck conveying quantities of vehicle engines had suffered mechanical error while in motion, leading to a collision with an incoming articulated truck and two motorcycles," he said.

He added that the impact of the collision resulted in sideways fall of the truck laden with vehicle engines, scattering the goods on highway and obstructing vehicular movement.

"Impact of the collision resulted in instant loss of life for one of the yet-to-be identified motorcyclists.

"The adult male casualty had reportedly been taken to the morgue by officials of the Federal Road Safety Corps before arrival of the agency's response team.

"The second motorcyclist involved in the accident escaped the incident unscathed," he said.

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