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One person lost his life while three others were seriously injured on Saturday night when a Lexus EX 350 car rammed into an articulated vehicle carrying scraps at Magboro section of the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway.

The car is marked APP 544 EH. This came on the heel of an accident at the axis on Friday. Earlier, a fuel laden tanker had crushed six vehicles including a passenger bus on the Ogun River bridge at Kara, outward Lagos in the same area.

Witnesses said the tanker had a brake failure and rammed into the six vehicles. Occupants of the

bus escaped death by a whisker as their bus narrowly missed plunging into Ogun River. Rescuers had to use axe to cut through the damaged portions of the vehicles to pull out injured occupants.

There were no casualties on the spot. A source from the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) said timely intervention by officials of the commission, Ogun State Traffic Compliance And Enforcement Corps (TRACE) and the Ogun State Fire Service saved the situation.

The FRSC official warned drivers to take cognisance of the ongoing rehabilitation works on the expressway and exercise caution while driving. He said: “I think observance of speed limit must be enforced especially during the ongoing rehabilitation

and reconstruction on the long bridge.

We have noticed that when some drivers approach the long bridge they become more in haste and throw all safety precautions away.”