

Mother dies as vehicle plunges into Ogun river

...TASUED student survives

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One person lost her life while another sustained injuries on Sunday after a Lexus jeep plunged into a river on the Ijebu-Ode-Benin Expressway.

The lone accident, which occurred about 2.45p.m., involved an unidentified woman and her daughter who is a student of Tai Solarin University of Education (TASUED), Ijagun.

They were said to be on their way to TASUED when their vehicle, with registration number JJJ 930 FL, plunged into the river.

While the woman, who drove the vehicle, died in the mishap,

her daughter survived and was taken to hospital.

The Public Relations Officer of Ogun State Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Corps (TRACE), Babatunde Akinbiyi, confirmed the accident in a statement yesterday.

Akinbiyi, who attributed the accident to over-speeding, said the vehicle had been recovered from river by rescue operatives.

He said: "I learnt the vehicle was coming from Lekki in Lagos to Ijebu-Ode when the accident occurred.

"There were two occupants in the vehicle; the driver who is a woman and her daughter, who is a student of TASUED. The woman was taking her daughter back to school.

"As a result of over-speeding, the woman lost control of the vehicle and plunged the vehicle into the river.

"The driver, who is the woman and mother of the lady, lost her life, while the daughter is receiving treatment at the Ijebu-Ode General Hospital.

"The vehicle has been removed from the river and deposited at the Motor Traffic Division (MTD), Odogbolu."

Akinbiyi added that the remains of the woman had been deposited at the morgue of the hospital.



Scene of the crash