

Seven die, 9 injured in Lagos-Ibadan Expressway multiple crashes

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Two children and three others were yesterday burnt to death in an automobile accident on the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway.

Two people had earlier died in an early morning accident, involv-

ing three vehicles on the same highway. The second accident involved a Toyota Haice bus, with registration number, KAA 601 XA.

The Public Education Officer for the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Ogun sector command, Florence Okpe, who confirmed the accident to journalists in Abeokuta, disclosed that, nine other people sustained varying degrees of injuries.

According to her, the lone accident occurred in the Ogere axis, the same area the first crash was recorded.

"A total of 14 persons were involved which comprised of seven male adults, four female adults, one male child and two female children.

"A total of nine persons were injured - male adults, three female adults and one male child," Okpe said. She attributed the cause of the accident to mechanical deficiency which resulted to fire out break while the vehicle was still on motion.

"The injured victims were taken to Victory Hospital, Ogere for medical attention while the corpses were deposited at FOS Ipara morgue," Okpe added.

Earlier, three persons have been reported dead in a multiple accident along the same Lagos-Ibadan Expressway in the morning hours of yesterday.

The accident involved a Micra car, marked, BDJ 257 XF, a truck with registration number, T 4916 LA and an unmarked truck.

The crash occurred around Mile 12 market, Ogere axis of the highway.

Florence Okpe had earlier also confirmed the accident to journalists in Abeokuta.

According to her, the accident involved seven persons, comprising one female adult and six male adults.

She explained that, while three persons lost their lives, the remaining persons were rescued unhurt.

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its statutory role of ensuring the security of lives and properties.

He continued by urging them to do more and also discussed the possibility of integrating members of existing vigilance outfits into the Amotekun network.

The meeting had in attendance members of the state executive, including the State Commissioner for Local Government and Chieftaincy Matters, Chief Bayo Lawal, who read the opening speech. In his address, while applauding Governor Makinde, for his commitment to sustaining widely acknowledged harmonious coexistence in the state, the Commissioner highlighted the importance of such meetings, which he said are necessary to empower the government in his efforts to sustain the unique peace enjoyed by people of Oyo State, who he says can now "sleep in peace of mind despite the security challenges facing the country."



The accident scene