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3 roasted in Benin-Lagos Road crash; motorists stranded

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Fire from two accidents involving four trucks left three person burnt beyond recognition and several cars at the Ovia River Bridge on the Benin-Lagos Road, yesterday. The incident left scores of motorists stranded.

A police officer, Samson Owanwohin, narrated that at about 9am, a second collision occurred at the spot where two tankers had earlier collided.

At the scene were policemen, fire fighters and men of the Federal Road Safety Commission, FRSC, whose crane went up in flames while trying to clear the road following the first collision.

Osanwohin said, "Two tankers, one hauling a caravan container and the other, a gas tanker, first collided at the spot on the lane coming from the Ovia end of the road heading towards Benin.

"A large rescue crane of the FRSC then came trying to pull out the container carrier whose head had broken from the impact of the accident lane to block the other lane.

"The operation was going smoothly to open up the road to traffic when another tanker came from the opposite lane and crashed into the rescue crane. The crane exploded in flames but it was the driver and two boys in the fuel tanker that crashed in that got burnt beyond recognition."

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