

A multiple vehicle collision that occurred on Kara bridge inward Mowe-Ibafo on Friday, 24th July has claimed the life of a motorboy and left.

The motorboy's death was confirmed by the Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA) after deploying a swift emergency response along with Lagos State Emergency Management Agency (LASEMA), Federal Road, Safety Corps (FRSC), officers of the Nigeria Police Force from Adigboluja Police Station, and heavy-duty towing operators.

According to preliminary investigation, three articulated trucks, two Mitsubishi Canter (Cabstar), a Toyota Sienna and a separately overturned trailer which contained chemical substances were involved in the collision.

The overturned trailer is said to have been the cause of the chain-reaction incident.

The motorboy is reported by the agency to have been trapped in the overturned trailer around the Opic axis, and later died from his injuries in spite of the swift intervention of the emergency responders.

Information regarding the owners of the involved vehicles could not be immediately verified as life-saving operations were the priority.

The incident led to a traffic gridlock from Kara bridge, through Berger to Otedola bridge, linking to the Isheri-Olowara and Ogunnusi corridors. However, LASTMA operatives diffused the situation and decongested the traffic.

Meanwhile, in the released statement by the Authority, the General Manager of LASTMA, Mr. Olalekan Bakare-Oki, expressed condolences to the bereaved family and reaffirmed the Agency's unrelenting commitment to safeguarding lives by deploying prompt emergency response, efficient traffic management and sustained inter-agency collaboration.

He urged road users to ensure the roadworthiness of their vehicles before embarking on any journey.

The Authority further enjoined members of the public to utilize the Agency's toll-free emergency short-code 3367 to report road traffic crashes, vehicle breakdowns, traffic obstructions and other related emergencies promptly.