55 die in Katsina auto crash

THE number of casualties in Monday's auto crash near Dandume in Katsina State has now risen to 55 lives.

The accident, involved a trailer carrying cows and about 150 passengers near Dandume on its way to Lagos.

A total of 30 passengers died on the spot, while some of the injured died later at the General Hospital, Funtua also in Katsina State.

Up to at press time, bodies of two passengers were still, trapped under the vehicle, while road marshals from Funtua FRSC unit were struggling to remove them.

Other road marshals were seen at the hospital numbering and putting tags on the bodies.

The District Head of Funtua, Alhaji Idris Sambo, visited the scene of the accident and described it as very pathetic, while praying for the repose of the souls of the deceased.