## Waziri of Gombe dies in autocrash

WILLIAMS ATTAH, Gombe

APROMINENT king maker in Gombe Waziri of Gombe, Alhaji Aliko Jalo, died in a ghastly motor accident that occurred Thursday night along Bauchi-Jos road on his way to Gombe from Abuja.

The late Aliko Jalo was born in 1958 and attended Tudun Wada Primary School in Gombe from 1965 to 1969, after which he was transferred to Ya'u Primary School, Maiduguri, where he completed his primary education in 1971 and in the same year, went to the present General Murtala College Yola in Adamawa state, where he had his secondary school education.

## end N700m in Gombe

would be used for the period of one year.

He explained that the scheme is aimed at ensuring that the less privileged have access to quality health care services equal to those offered for civil servants under the health insurance scheme.

According to him, 33,000 pregnant mothers and children below the ages of five will benefit from the programme in Akko Local Government Area of Gombe state alone.

He said for the scheme to succeed, the National Health

Insurance Scheme (NHIS) in collaboration with the MDG has employed the services of three private companies that will monitor how the funds are utilized.

He explained further that upon the expiration of the one year pilot programme, people would then be registered at the cost of five hundred and fifty naira monthly, the same with the civil service NHIS, while the cost for pregnant women would also rise to over N600 due to the nature of their condition.

From 1972 to 1976 he was at School of Basic Studies (SBS), Ahmadu Bello University Zaria and after successfully completing the one year programme, he enrolled into same university where he bagged a Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) degree in Civil Engineering in 1981.

The late Aliko Jalo was in

business throughout his life.
He was a member of various organisations and a board member of many companies.
He became the Waziri of

Gombe in 1988 after the demise of his late father, Alhaji Jalo Ibrahim, who was a former Senator representing Gombe central in the second republic.

The deceased was an elder brother to the present National President of Association of Local Governments of Nigeria (ALGON), Alhaji Dasuki Jalo Ibrahim.

He is survived by three wives

and six children, and has since been buried according to the Islamic rites.

Among the immediate callers at the bereaved family for condolence was the immediate past Minister of the Federal Capital Territory, Dr. Umar Modibbo.