

Auto- accident claims 5 on Kano- Maiduguri road

FIVE persons died on Thursday in a motor accident which occurred on the Kano-Maiduguri road.

Alhaji Ahmed Kogari, the FRSC Sector Commander in Kano State, said last Friday in Kano that the victims included two women and three children.

He said the accident

occurred when a truck collided with a station wagon car as a result of an overtaking by a heavy duty truck.

The sector commander said that four persons sustained serious injuries while 10 others in the two vehicles escaped unhurt.

Kogari disclosed that the driver of the heavy duty, truck

which caused the accident, fled when he realised the consequence of his action.

He described the rate of accidents in the state as "disheartening and unacceptable", blaming the trend on violation of traffic rules by motorists.

The sector commander also condemned the activities of

commercial motorcyclists operating in the state for their recklessness.

He said most of the motorcyclists lacked the knowledge of traffic rules and regulations, pointing out that they contributed largely to the high accident rate in the state.