Auto accidents claim 38 in Bauchi

O fewer than 38 persons lost their lives in various auto-accidents in Bauchi State in the first quarter of 2010.

Director, Bauchi State Vehicle Inspection Directorate, Alhaji Ibrahim Ya'u, said this on Saturday when the state's Commissioner for Transport, Alhaji Abubakar Ashu, visited the directorate.

He said no fewer than 89 other persons sustained injuries in the 43 auto-accidents recorded across the state.

Ya'u also said the directorate generated more than N6 million within the period under review.

He said N2 million was realised from the sales of 'road worthy certificate' to motorists while N4 million was raised from the 'Operation Show Your Particulars'.

Ya'u said N600,000 was generated from the general inspection exercise.

In his remarks, Ashu described the directorate as "strategic," and pledged the state government's commitment to improving staff welfare.