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14 die in auto accident during Sallah

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Fourteen persons lost their lives in five auto- accidents during the Eid-el Fitr holiday in Kaduna State, the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) reports.

Mr Harrison Pepple, the FRSC Sector Commander said the accidents claimed 14 lives while 65 persons sustained serious injuries.

According to him, Sabo Tasha unit of the command, overseeing the Kaduna-Kachia and Kaduna-Abuja routes, recorded the highest number of seven deaths.

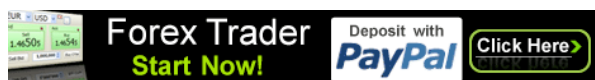
He also disclosed that the Birnin Gwari unit reported five deaths along Kaduna-Lagos route and while the Kafanchan unit recorded two deaths along the Kaduna-Kafanchan-Saminaka-Jos road.

Pepple added that more than 160 people were involved in the mishaps and attributed the accidents to dangerous driving, bad lightings, worn out tyres, stress and bad roads.

The commander advised motorists to exercise caution during the "ember months" and the rainy season to prevent loss of lives and property on the roads.

He warned that erring drivers would be punished to serve as deterrent to others.

"Any vehicle impounded would not be released after paying the appropriate fines until February 2010," he warned motorists,



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