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Monday, 19 July 2010 06:04 Lawal Ibrahim, **Katsina**



Eighteen persons were confirmed dead in **Katsina** yesterday while five others were critically injured in an auto crash in Kwanar Ladanawa village of Rimi Local Government Area along the **Katsina**-Kano highway. It was gathered that an articulated vehicle with registration number XB 579 KTN collided with a truck with registration number AE 839 KTN loaded with cows and passengers.

A witness, Mohammed NurDikko, told this reporter that the incident occurred at around 9:00am when the trailer driver lost control of the vehicle and ran into the truck which fell into a ditch. He said the driver might

have been attempting to dodge a pot hole, adding 14 persons died on the spot.

NurDikko said as soon as the **accident** occurred some police officers attached to the Rimi divisional police station alerted officials of the FRSC who mobilized their men to conduct a joint rescue operation.

FRSC Sector Commander Mr Adewale Hammed confirmed the death of 18 people to our correspondent, attributing the **accident** to dangerous driving by both drivers.

Further investigations revealed that all the victims were from Tsagero village in Rimi and were heading to the Charanchi market.

The Medical Director of **Katsina** General Hospital Dr Ado Kankiya said 15 persons were brought dead while the remaining died in hospital. He said the injured were being treated at the **accident** and emergency wing of the hospital.

Our correspondent noticed police and FRSC personnel evacuating bodies to the hospital morgue while others tried to restore calm as relations and well wishers thronged the hospital to identify victims.

One of the victim's relatives, Alhaji Isa Dankade who spoke to reporters said they received the news of the death of their brother, Mohammed, with shock and disbelief. Alhaji Isa said as Muslims, they could only accept the reality.

While some of the deceased have been identified and picked by their relatives for burial, the medical director of the hospital told this reporter at the time of filling this report that 15 corpses were still unclaimed.

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[#5](#) Hamisu Mohammed 2010-07-19 15:19

Death is inevitable, we only wish for the repose of their soul. Allah ya basu Aljanna Firdausi Ameen

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[#4](#) IBRAHIM MUHAMMAD 2010-07-19 14:57

May our souls rest in perfect peace (Amen). In Allah we come and in Him we shall return. May Allah forgive us and protect us from unexpected death.

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[#3](#) mohammed lawal ibrah 2010-07-19 12:37

May their soul RIP, Ameem. And also i want call on FRSC personnel in **Katsina** and North at large to arrest any truck Driver carrying People and load at same time(for example you will see a truck fully loaded with bags of maiza and then carry people on top of the load) , so as to check mate the **accident** in the area.

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[#2](#) Nura 2010-07-19 11:37

It is so sad that **Katsina** state is deprived from good roads,That road is nothing but a death trap ,all the roads linking **Katsina** and other staes are in a sorry stage.

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May Allah .S.W.T.forgive these people an grant them with paradise.Ameen

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