

40 American based doctors commence free medical services in C/River

From Eyo Charles,
Calabar

FORTY doctors from the United States of America have arrived Cross River State for free medical care in the three senatorial districts, Special Assistant to Governor Liyel Imoke on Diaspora Matters, Dr. Ikpeme Ben Ebong has said. Dr Ebong told journalists in Calabar yesterday at the commencement

of the exercise that the free medical care is part of events lined up for the Diaspora Week, adding that most of the doctors are Black. He said the arrival of the experts was made possible by the state government in collaboration with the state's Ministry of Health. According to him, the doctors will in addition to the free medical care, explore business opportunities in the state.

1 dies in Lafia-Akwanga road auto crash

From Hir Joseph, Lafia

ONE person died yesterday in an auto crash involving five vehicles at Azuba, along the Lafia-Akwanga road.

The Federal Roads Safety Commission (FRSC) in Nasarawa State confirmed the incident, and attributed it to recklessness by drivers.

The incident occurred at about 10am when an 18-seater Toyota Hiace bus belonging to Benue Links Transport Corporation, with registration number XA 352-TSE collided with another 8-seater Toyota Hiace bus, with registration number XA 183 SNA. Other vehicles travelling on the same road rammed into them, and about 30 persons sustained various degrees of injuries.

Witnesses said one of the buses was attempting to overtake when the incident occurred. It took men of the FRSC about an hour to clear the wreckages. Sector Commander of the FRSC in the state, Sarah Ajenge confirmed the incident, saying men of the commission acted promptly, and evacuated those injured to a nearby hospital. He added that another accident occurred around 11 am in Yelwata village near Adogi along Lafia-Shendam road.

"The accident involved a Mercedes Benz with registration number FR725 KJA and a Toyota Corolla, with registration number XA 461 BDN. One person died in the incident while three others sustained injuries.