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Abuja-Lokoja Road Auto

Crashes (Death Figure for 2012)

● Jan = 18 ● Feb = 7 ● March = 19 ● April = 4 ● May = 25 ● June = 4 ● July = 12
● Aug = 3 ● Sept = 8 ● Oct = 13 ● Nov = 14 ● Dec = 11 ● --Total 167--

Seven die, 32 injured along Abuja-Lokoja road

By Abubakar Sadiq Isah

Six persons lost their lives, while 32 others sustained various degrees of injuries in three separate ghastly motor accidents that occurred on Friday and Saturday along Abuja-Lokoja road.

So far, the figure of deaths along the road since the beginning of the year has risen to 167, while over 500 persons have been injured.

A witness said the first accident that occurred at the weekend, happened in Piri village at about 5:00 am. He said it involved a Mercedes Benz truck with registration number XA 206 GBB and a Space Wagon vehicle with reg-

istration number EKY 330 AC, which left three persons dead and two others wounded.

According to him, the accident happened when the Space Wagon vehicle which was coming from Abaji axis on top speed, overtook another vehicle and collided with the Mercedes Benz truck coming from Kwali axis.

In another accident that involved the loss of three persons, while one person sustained injuries in the wee hours of Saturday near A.Y petrol station, along Gwagwalada-Giri road, a witness said it involved a Golf car and Daf truck, both without number plates.

He said the Golf car loaded with vegetables overtook another car and collided with an oncoming truck.

One person also died, while 28 others sustained injuries in the wee hours of the same day near Federal Government College Kwali, when a Mercedes Benz truck with registration number XT 203 BEN crashed with a luxury bus with registration number XA 917 ATN.

The three accidents were confirmed by Gwagwalada and Yangoji unit commanders of the Federal Road Safety Commission, Ahmed Abubakar and Austine Chukwudi Okeke.

They said the corpses were deposited at the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital and Kwali General Hospital morgues, while the injured victims are in the same hospitals.



■ A scene of an accident at Gada-Biyu village, along