## Seven killed in Ondo road accidents

SEVEN persons were killed last weekend in Ondo State, in two separate road crashes.

The first crash which involved a commercial taxicab and another private car claimed four lives.

A witness told *The Nation* that a woman motorist caused the accident, which occurred at the popular Onyearugbulem Market junction, in Akure metropolis.

She was reported to have been receiving phone calls behind the wheels when she veered off the road and rammed into an oncoming taxi-cab with four passengers on board.

All the four passengers died instantly while the woman sustained serious injuries and is now at the State Specialist Hospital, Akure.

Another accident by Owo-Emure-Ile road From Damisi Ojo, Akure

claimed three lives. A trailer marked XP 901 AAA and Voyager Car No CA782FST reportedly caused it.

A witness attributed the carnage to over speeding and dangerous driving on the part of the trailer driver. A passenger in the ill-fated vehicle is also on the danger list at an undisclosed hospital.

Confirming the accident, the State Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), Mr. Ahmed Hassan, advised motorists and other road users to always maintain reasonable speed limit.

He also advised them to ensure good conditions of their vehicles before hitting the road, while the culture of receiving calls on the highway should be discouraged.