

'Seven died, 100 injured in road crashes during Sallah in Ogun'

THE Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Ogun Command, said yesterday that seven persons died while 100 others were injured in 41 road crashes recorded during the Eid-el-Kabir celebration in the state.

The Sector Commander, Mr Ahmed Umar, told the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) in Ota that personnel of the Corps rescued 195 accident victims unhurt within the period.

Umar said the rescue effort was made possible by FRSC's special patrol conducted from July 6 to July 13.

The sector commander added that 71 vehicles were involved in the 41 crashes during the Sallah festival.

"Most of the crashes were caused due to violation of traffic rules and regulations.

"Motorists need to always obey traffic rules and regulations to prevent avoidable crashes on the highway," he said.

Umar said that the corps would continue to sensitise motorists through various public enlightenment programmes on safe driving.

The Ogun Command said a passerby died at the weekend in a multiple accident that involved three vehicles at Toll-Gate on Lagos-Abeokuta Expressway.

Sector Commander Umar told NAN in Ota that five others were unhurt in the accident which occurred at about 10.10 pm. on Saturday.

Umar said that the accident involved three vehicles, a Toyota Camry marked AKD 670 HF, a pick-up TATA and a truck, the last two without any registration number.

The Sector Commander said six persons were involved in the crash, which led to the death of the passerby.

Five people were unhurt in the accident, he said.