



• The crash scene

14 die in Abuja-Kaduna Highway crash

• 11 killed in Bauchi

FOURTEEN people have been confirmed dead and seven injured in a motor accident involving a commercial bus and a truck at Kilometer 27 close to Olam Farms.

The accident, according to eyewitnesses, occurred at a section being reconstructed by the Federal Government.

It was learnt that a Toyota Hiace bus with 25 passengers dangerously overtook another vehicle, leading to a head-on collision with a truck. Fourteen people died on the spot.

Acting Sector Commander, Kaduna State Command, Gar-

From AbdulGafar Alabelewe, Kaduna and David Adenuga, Bauchi

ba Lawal, said the injured were taken to a nearby hospital while 14 bodies were deposited at St Gerald Catholic Hospital, Kaduna.

"The crash was caused by the commercial bus driver who dangerously overtook another vehicle," he said.

In Bauchi State, 11 persons were confirmed dead, also in a road accident, at a village off Alkaleri-Gombe Highway.

The crash, which occurred

on Saturday evening, involved a commercial bus and a truck.

The state Sector Commander of the Federal Roads Safety Commission (FRSC), Yusuf Abdullahi, said in a statement yesterday that 10 persons were injured.

He blamed the crash on dangerous driving, adding that nine persons died on the spot while two passed away later at the hospital.

"The victims were taken to the General Hospital in Alkaleri for confirmation of death and treatment of the injured," the statement said.