

abducted his six-year-old

rested by the police in Niger State.

## 3 pedestrians killed by hit-and-run driver in Ogun

BY ADEWALE OSHODI

1 THREE people were killed at Adedero village, on the Kobape-Siun highway in Ogun State, on Wednesday, when a Honda wagon car with registration number EPE.697 AU hit them by the side of the road.

**Nigerian Tribune** learnt that the accident occurred at about 7:09a.m.

It was further gathered that the driver of the vehicle initially fled from the scene of the accident before he was arrested by operatives of Quick Response Squad stationed at the Governor's Office entrance.

The driver, who was coming from Abeokuta with members of his family in the vehicle, was, thereafter, taken to the state Mobile Traffic Division (MTD) office, Ibara.

Confirming the incident to the **Nigerian Tribune**, the Public Relations Officer (PPRO) of the state Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Corps (TRACE), Mr Akinbiyi Babatunde, said the bodies of the two victims who died on the spot were deposited at General Hospital, Ijaiye, while the third victim was taken to Joseph and Christianah Hospital, Oke Ilewo, where he later also died.

## 2 dead, 4 injured as 2 vehicles collide in Kano

2 TWO people died on Tuesday evening while four others sustained injuries when two vehicles collided on Kano-Gwarzo Road, an official of the Kano State Fire Service said, on Wednesday.

The spokesman of the fire service, Alhaji Saidu Mohammed, told the **News Agency of Nigeria (NAN)** in Kano that the accident occurred at about 05:35pm.

"We received a distress call from one Malam Wada Alhassan at about 05:35pm that there was an accident on Gwarzo Road.

"On receiving the information, we quickly dispatched our personnel and vehicle to the scene of the incident at about 05:41pm to rescue the victims," Mohammed said.

He said two vehicles, a truck with registration number XF 375 FG and a Golf car with registration number KZR 421 ZT, from opposite directions, collided.

Mohammed attributed the accident, which involved six

persons, to speed limit violation, which led to loss of control by the drivers.

He said the fire personnel took the victims to the Murtala Mohammed Specialist Hospital, Kano, where the doctor on duty confirmed two dead, while the remaining four victims were receiving treatment.

## Okada riders who specialised in

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TWO commercial motorcycle riders who operated around Agbara area of Ogun State have narrated how they lurked around banks in the area, looking for bank customers who had gone to withdraw money.

Speaking during a press briefing by the Ogun State Commissioner of Police, Mr Ahmed Iliyasu, at the police headquarters, Eleweiran, Abeokuta, the suspects, Lateef Folami and Benjamin Oforitse, said

erminent Area of the state.

**Nigerian Tribune** gathered that the suspect handed over the victim to the buyer allegedly on an agreement that the buyer would pay him after his brother had been used for money ritual and had started vomiting money from his mouth.

However, residents of the area suspected an illegality was going on while the deal was being struck



The okada riders who allegedly snatched

they plied bank areas at Agbara, monitoring customers who had gone to withdraw money.

During their last operation, Folami said he was in front of a bank when he noticed two customers leaving a bank with a polythene bag.

"I immediately sensed it was money, so I called my partner, Benjamin, and we trailed them. The bank customers also boarded an **okada**, so we continued following them.

"When we got to a lonely place, we brought out our