

# 45 die in Katsina auto crash

**A**BOUT 45 persons were feared dead on Monday when an open-back truck loaded with grain and passengers reportedly crashed in Katsina State.

According to a report monitored on a Lagos-based television, the truck was starting off on a long journey to Lagos before the accident occurred.

Trouble reportedly started when the truck lost control after it hit an obstruction on the road and somersaulted into a nearby bush.

Hospital officials in the nearby town of Funtua were quoted to have said that 19 survivors were being treated for variety of injuries including crashed limbs.

The accident occurred barely 48 hours after about 24 persons were killed in another auto crash on Akungba-Oka Road in Akoko South West Area of Ondo State on Saturday.

Most of the victims were said to be returning from the maiden convocation of the Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba-Akoko.