

Three law students die in auto accident

A road accident along the Damaturu to Jos road has claimed the lives of three final year law students of the University of Maiduguri.

According to a report by the *News Agency of Nigeria*, seven other occupants of the vehicle sustained serious injuries and are currently receiving treatment at the Damaturu General Hospital.

Corpses of the deceased were deposited at the general hospital.

An eye witness told journalists that the accident involving a Peugeot boxer bus with registration number BB 498 TRB took place at about 4 p.m on Wednesday.

The eye witness added that a burst tyre made the vehicle to somersault three times.

Twenty passengers were in the bus when the accident occurred, while NAN further learnt that the driver of the bus belonging to the Taraba State

Transport Corporation escaped unhurt.

The Sector Commander, Federal Road Safety Commission in the state, Mr. Emmanuel Ekekwe, who confirmed the accident, told journalists on Thursday that over speeding and recklessness

led to many of the accidents in the area.

He said the boxer bus series were outdated and unfit for commercial purposes on Nigerian roads, adding, "I sincerely hope a stop will be put in the use of these buses for commercial purposes."

Plateau halts issuance of

Jude Owuamanam, Jos

PLATEAU State Commissioner for Land, Survey and Town Planning, Mr. Nanle Dashen, said that the government had stopped the processing and issuance of statutory titles for lands in the state.

Dashen told journalists in Jos on Thursday that such titles as Certificate of Occupancy and Right of Occupancy for property within the Jos Bukuru metropolis had been suspended pending complete computerisation of land information and recertification.

He said that the initiative was aimed at revolutionising the process of land administration in the state and that through the Geographic Information Service; all land administration would be done through a computerised system.

This, he said would also lead to recertification of all titles and enhance the processing of new titles in addition to facilitating a more effective process of revenue generation.

The commissioner said that the ministry had so far registered not less than 24