

# Other News

## Seven die in auto accident

**A** youth corps member, a lecturer at the Abia State University undergoing a doctorate degree programme at the University of Ibadan and five other people, have died in two separate auto accidents in Edo State.

While the lecturer, the corps member and four other people died in an accident that occurred on Benin-Asaba Road on Sunday, the other three persons lost their lives at Abe-Abudu, Agbor Road.

According to an eyewitness account, the lone accident involving a Toyota Hiace bus with registration number BQ 698 APP occurred as a result of burst tyre.

Our correspondent also learnt that the second accident, which involved an Audi 80 saloon car with registration number CN 816 BEN, occurred as a result of lack of concentration.

It was gathered that apart from the deceased, whose body had been deposited at a hospital at Abudu, three people who sustained different degrees of injuries were rushed to the same hospital by urgent medical attention.

The Zonal Commander of the Federal Roads Safety Commission in charge of Zone 5 Benin, Alhaji Zakari Nda, who confirmed the incidents, added that nine other passengers were injured in the first accident.