

'Eight persons died in Edo during *sallah*'

THE Edo State Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission, Mr. Henry Olatunji, has said that eight persons died in road accidents in the area during the *sallah* celebrations.

The commander, who spoke with the *News Agency of Nigeria* in Benin on Thursday, said that 62 other passengers were injured in the nine accidents that involved 25 vehicles.

The sector commander also said that 27 vehicles and 62 motorcycles were impounded for various traffic offences during the period.

Olatunji attributed the causes of the accidents to over-speeding, reckless driving, route violation and tyre burst among others.

He advised vehicle and motorcycle owners to ensure that their vehicles were in good condition before putting them on the road.

The sector commander advised passengers to board only vehicles that were in good condition and to caution drivers if they over sped.