Death toll of Kaduna-Abuja expressway auto-crash rises to 18 4

The Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Kaduna Sector Command says the death toll in the Kaduna-Abuja expressway autocrash has risen to 18, while 27 persons sustained injuries.

The Sector Commander, Mr Kabir Nadabo, confirmed the figure when he gave an update to the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN).

NAN recalls that in the early hours of yesterday, the corps confirmed that 16 persons died while 27 sustained injuries as a result of the accident.

Nadabo said that the accident occurred at Audu Jangon village on the expressway at 05:20hrs.

He said the causes of the crash were speeding and overloading of goods as well

as passengers which resulted in the heavy casualties recorded.

"Our investigation of the incident has revealed that 65 people were involved in the crash, 27 got injured and 18 were deceased," Nadabo said.

According to him, in recent years, the Corps Marshal of FRSC has established more formations across the country in the bid to ensure prompt response to road traffic crashes, particularly along major critical corridors in the country.

Nadabo said, "In the same vein, the corps marshal has directed various intervention patrols, especially during the yuletide season where vehicles increase on the road due to mass movement around the country"