

## 2 Two die, several injured in Orlu market bomb explosion

**T**ragedy struck at the Orlu International Market, Imo State yesterday when an improvised explosive device (IED) detonated, claiming two lives and injuring several others.

The explosion caused stampede and confusion as people ran helter-skelter, causing many injuries.

A source said, "We were at the market when we heard an explosion. There was confusion everywhere as people ran for their lives. Some persons were killed in this explosion."

The Imo Police spokesman, Henry Okoye, who confirmed the incident, said two persons were killed.

"It was an IED that exploded," he said. "The Commissioner of Police,

Aboki Danjuma, has deployed Anti-Bomb operatives to the scene."

According to him, "two persons who incidentally were the hoodlums were killed in the process of setting up an IED and in the pro-

cess, it exploded."

Okoye called for calm, saying, "We have deployed operatives to the area. No cause for alarm. We ask all Imolites to report suspicious activities in their areas and be vigilant."

## FRSC begins campaign against ember months' road crashes

**T**he Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), yesterday inaugurated a unified approach to tackle the high incidence of Road Traffic Crashes (RTCs) in the country.

Speaking at the nationwide inauguration of an intensified safety campaign in Abuja, the FRSC Corps Marshal, Shehu Mohammed, stressed the importance of cooperation from all sectors of

society.

Mohammed, however, maintained that road safety remained everyone's responsibility; hence all hands must be on deck to address the scourge.

*The News Agency of Nigeria (NAN)* reports that the FRSC had organised a two-day management retreat and news conference across the states to address issues on road safety and inaugurated a campaign against RTCs.