

# Yuletide Rush: Accidents Claim 14

**F**ourteen people died in two separate accidents on the outskirts of Dutse, the Jigawa State capital weekend.

The first accident, which occurred around Tsaida Village, on the Gaya-Dutse road, claimed 13 lives.

The accident, which occurred at about 3.30p.m. on Saturday, involved a Peugeot 504 wagon and a DAF trailer.

According to eyewitness accounts, the two vehicles were travelling in opposite directions with the 504 heading towards Dutse.

While driver of the 504 was trying to overtake another trailer,

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### *From Taiwo Olawale in Dutse*

the DAF appeared from the opposite direction, leading to a collision.

Thirteen people, including the driver and a family returning from a family engagement in Kaduna, died instantly.

Only the father of the family (who is also a traditional village head in Takur), survived the accident.

His two wives, four children and three relations perished in the

accident.

People in Dutse were downcast, when news of the accident filtered in.

They lamented the sad loss and blamed the high rate of accidents on the Kano-Wudil-Gaya-Dutse road on sharp bends and narrow roads.

They appealed to the Federal and state governments to stop the carnage by turning the road to a dual-carriage way urgently.

Family of the Alhaji Nuhu Munhammadu Sanusi, led sympathisers who buried the victims according to Islamic injunctions after preliminary police investigations.

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