7 die in accident in Zamfara

AN accident has claimed seven lives on the Talata Mafara/Gusau road in Zamfara state.

Eye witnesses told the News Agency of Nigeria NAN at the weekend in Gusau that the road mishap which left several persons with serious injuries, occurred last Friday evening.

The report said the accident involved a Honda Erodeck car and an 18-seater bus.

According to the source, the car was coming from Talata Mafara, while the bus which was coming from the opposite direction lost control and collided with the former while trying to avoid potholes.

The source said that five persons died on the spot while the remaining two, including the only woman in the bus, died on the way to the hospital.

Confirming the report, the state sector commander of the FRSC, Alhaji Umar Liman, said all the injured persons were receiving treatment at the Federal Medical Centre, Gusau.

Liman, who attributed the mishap to the terrible state of the road, called on drivers plying the route to avoid over speeding and recklessness, describing the road as a death trap.