

# Six NYSC members perish in auto crash

By Samuel Oyadongha

**YENAGOA** — **TRAGEDY** struck on Tuesday evening along the Sagbama/Odi axis of the East-West road in Bayelsa when six members of National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) posted to the state lost their lives in auto crash.

It was gathered from witnesses that the newly posted corps members who were on their way to the Kaiama orientation camp met their untimely death when the vehicle in which they were traveling in was involved in a collision with another car.

The accident which occurred some distance away from the Sagbama junction which is less than 15 minutes drive away from their destination involved a Volkswagen passenger car with registration number XA 513 AKR and a Toyota Hiace bus with registration number XA 577 AKR.

The two vehicles were said to gone up in flame as they were both on high speed making it difficult for sympathisers and other motorists to rescue the victims. The deceased corps members it fur-

ther learnt were coming from Akure in Ondo State to report for service at the NYSC camp at Kaiama.

When contacted, the Bayelsa State Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), Mr. John Meheux confirmed the incident saying he was notified by his men stationed at Sagbama in the Sagbama Local Government Area. The state sector commander noted that the six persons said to be NYSC members coming to

Kaiama from Akure were reportedly burnt beyond recognition while seven others who sustained various degrees of burnt were rushed to the Federal Medical Centre Yenagoe for treatment.

The tragic incident was the subject of discussion at the Kaiama orientation camp among the newly posted corps members when this reporter visited the place yesterday while non of the officials were willing to talk on the matter.

## Robbers kill driver, rob bullion van

By Jimitota Onoyume

**PORT HARCOURT** — A **BULLION** van was yesterday attacked at a spot between Port Harcourt and Aba. When contacted for details, police sources in Port Harcourt confirmed the incident but quickly said the state command would not speak on it.

Meanwhile, eyewitnesses

told the Vanguard that the robbers in a jeep trailed the bullion van on its way from Aba.

They reportedly caught up with and opened fire, killing the driver of the vehicle. According to the source the police inside ran for dear lives.

The robbers reportedly later took time to off load the cash content in the van into their jeep before speeding off.