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Five dead in Gombe multiple auto crashes



The Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) says five persons died in a multiple auto crash on the Gombe-Bauchi Road, in Akko Local Government Area of Gombe State.

Sector Commander of the FRSC Gombe command, Mr Samson Kaura, confirmed the accident in an interview with the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) yesterday.

According to him, three vehicles, including a trailer tanker, Toyota car, and a Bajaj motorcycle, were involved in the crash, which occurred at noon yesterday.

Kaura said 10 persons were affected by the crash, which claimed three persons, while two others died on their way to the hospital.

He said five others sustained injuries ranging from head injury, fracture and laceration.

According to him, the injured persons have been taken to a Specialist Hospital in Gombe for medical care, while the bodies of the deceased were deposited at the mortuary of the hospital.

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Kaura said that preliminary investigation showed that the crash was caused by dangerous driving, adding that the car was trying to overtake when it collided with the tanker.

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The commander urged drivers against overtaking wrongfully, adding that it puts the lives of passengers at risk.

“Whenever you want to overtake, always ask yourself if the overtaking is lawful, necessary, and safe.

“Drivers must always ask themselves these questions before any overtaking, because this crash is really unfortunate and should have been avoided if the driver had taken the right decision,” he added.

Kaura urged motorists to put safety as their major goal and concern, whenever on the road.

