

Four dead, several others injured in Gombe road crash

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A ghastly lone crash along the ever-busy Cham-Numan road, in the Balanga LGA axis, has claimed four lives, while several others were injured.

The crash was confirmed on Sunday by the Gombe State Sector Command of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), through the Sector Commander, CC Samson Kaura, who disclosed that among the victims was a child.

According to him, the crash occurred due to loss of control by the driver as a result of violating the speed limit.

Kaura said, "The crash happened around 2 am in the early morning of Sunday, when a Toyota Hummer bus from Toro LGA in Bauchi State, travelling to Adamawa State, carrying mostly children, lost control along Cham-Numan Road, resulting in the crash.

"The vehicle was moving above the recommended speed limit, and that resulted in loss of control and eventual crash.

"This is unfortunate because the bus was overloaded as the children were lapping one another, which increased the number of persons expected for such a vehicle."

He also stated that the bus was carrying more than the expected passengers, stressing that the vehicle was conveying 41 persons, mostly children, as against 18.

He further used the medium to caution drivers and other road users against night travel, adding that "though it is their constitutional right to travel anytime, they must know that it is riskier travelling at night than during the day.

"Those who want to escape road enforcement officers and decide to travel at night must desist from those acts while doing the right thing and prioritising their safety and that of their passengers."

Kaura urged drivers to adhere to traffic rules and regulations, stressing that "life is more important than any economic or other benefit from driving."

The FRSC stated that both the injured and the dead have been evacuated to the hospital for medical attention and deposited at the morgue while awaiting the arrival of their families.

It also assured that the vehicle has been evacuated while the obstruction has been cleared to allow for free flow of traffic on the road.