

Kano crash: FRSC confirms 7 killed, not 30



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The Federal Road Safety Corps, FRSC, has clarified reports surrounding the recent road traffic crash in Kano State, confirming that seven persons lost their lives in the incident, contrary to media reports claiming 30 fatalities.

In a press statement signed by the Assistant Corps Marshal and Corps Public Education Officer, Mr. Olusegun Ogungbemide, on Monday, the Corps said the figure was established through “on the spot assessment and verified rescue operations” by its operatives, urging the public and media organisations to rely on officially confirmed information to avoid misinformation and undue public anxiety.

According to FRSC, the fatal crash occurred on Sunday, 8 February, 2026, along Hadejia Road at Kwanar Danja, in Gezawa Local Government Area of Kano State, at about 0833hrs.

FRSC said the crash involved a commercial DAF trailer with registration number KTG467YG, conveying 105 passengers.

The Corps also said, from the total of 105 persons involved, 70 victims, comprising 55 male adults and 15 male children, sustained varying degrees of injuries, while seven adult males were killed.

It added that a total of 30 of the victims were rescued by FRSC emergency rescue team without injuries.

Preliminary investigation by the Corps attributed the cause of the crash to “Speed Violation which eventually led to Loss of Control (SPV/LOC).”

Reacting to the incident, the Corps Marshal of FRSC, Mr. Shehu Mohammed, described speeding as “one of the deadliest traffic violations” and warned motorists against turning highways into death traps.

He said, “once a driver exceeds the prescribed speed limit, control is compromised, reaction time is reduced, and the chances of survival in a crash become minimal.”

The Corps Marshal emphasised that no journey is worth the loss of innocent lives.

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He further revealed that the magnitude of casualties recorded in a single crash is

a direct manifestation of the devastating consequences of reckless driving, noting that vehicles driven at excessive speed become lethal weapons capable of wiping out entire families in seconds.

Mohammed also warned that FRSC will continue to intensify enforcement operations nationwide, stressing that motorists who flout speed regulations will face the full weight of the law without exception.

FRSC urged all road users, especially commercial drivers, to obey speed limits, drive responsibly, and prioritise safety over haste, warning that the pain of losing loved ones to preventable crashes is a burden no family should bear.