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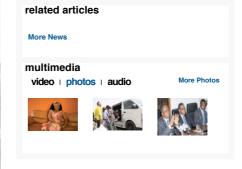
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An accident scene in South Western Nigerian. Photo: NEXT

Auto accident claimed 27 lives in Adamawa





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Twenty seven people were confirmed dead in a fatal road mishap at popular bend known as "Kwanan mai saje", in Lamurde local government area of Adamawa.

Confirming the accident, the commander, FRSC Adamawa command, Mr Habu Dauda, said the incident occurred on Wednesday at about 9:30 p.m. when a lorry driver lost control at the sharp bend, call ``Kwanan mai Saje"and entered a gully.

Dauda said the vehicle, with the registration number PLA 376 Shendam, was conveying women and children. He said 20 of the occupants were confirmed dead on the spot.

He said the remaining passengers that sustained fatal injuries were taken to Numan local government general hospital where additional seven people passed away.

The commander said the victims had already been given mass burial at Lamurde. He advised the people to avoid night journey for safety of their lives and property.

He called on the people of the state to contact the command whenever accident occurred in time as the command had a stand by rescue team.

An eye witness, Malam Abubakar Usman, told the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) in Lamurde that the victims comprised both young and old, males and females.

Abubakar said the deceased were mostly family members from Ganjuwa local government area in Bauchi state on their way to Wuro Bikki in Girei local government area of Adamawa.

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Posted by Timloh Christopher Dauda on Jan 02 2010

May their souls rest in perfect peace, amen. People should try and avoid/stop night travel as it is deadly and rescue operation at night is not easy.

Posted by momo on Jan 02 2010

lorry is not for people but for load that why we no get seatbelt for the back of the lorry.. or somethinh dey here wey i no understand....RIP to them all..

Posted by boyowa on Jan 02 2010

lorry drivers should be given an orientation on how to move their lorries. may the dead rest in perfect peace

Posted by **Pauliano** on Jan 02 2010

May the Lord help us, and may there soul rest in peace Amen.

Posted by dada on Jan 02 2010

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