

## 22 die in Kano accident

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The wreckage of the bus

Barely a week after 22 members of a single family perished in a car crash on the Kano-Gwarzo road, another 22 persons were burnt to death in a crash that occurred on Tuesday night at Kwanar Kofa, about 62 kilometres from Kano city.

The accident, which occurred around 1am, reportedly occurred due to a burst tyre on the unidentified 18-seater bus heading to Kano from Ilorin. Daily Trust learnt that the bus was conveying 28 people including the driver and conductor, out of which 19 died on the spot.

The nine survivors who sustained injuries were taken to the Murtala Mohammed Specialist Hospital, Kano. One of them however died on the way to the hospital. At the Murtala Muhammad hospital, our reporter gathered that out of the eight persons who were admitted, two others died yesterday while three are still receiving treatment. Daily Trust learnt that the driver of the bus, who survived the crash, was taken to his hometown in Katsina State for local medication.

One of the survivors of the accident, Inusa Mohammed, told our reporter on his hospital bed that the driver was trying to escape from an on-going armed robbery on the Kaduna-Kano lane, and he drove against the traffic on the Kano-Kaduna lane.

According to Inusa, "We were travelling to Kano from Ilorin and just some kilometres to Kano, we learnt that armed robbers had blocked our lane. therefore, the driver moved to the opposite lane and all of a sudden, our tyre burst. Before one could do anything, the car somersaulted and caught fire, killing 19 people on the spot. Nine of us were rushed to the hospital".

Daily Trust further gathered that before the accident, the vehicle tyres had flat tyres on two occasions during the trip. Inusa said, "It is quite true that we had two punctures on the way but we bought another tyre and replaced the bad one."

Kano State police command public relations officer SP Baba Mohammed confirmed the accident. Kano State sector commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps, Yusuf Garba, also confirmed the accident, saying that the corps is investigating into the matter.

Garba added that the corps has established that the vehicle was carrying a motor bike which had fuel, which he said was the likely cause of the fire. According to him, "ordinarily, a tyre burst wouldn't have led to the fire and it has been established that the vehicle was carrying a motor cycle which led to the fire outbreak".

He added that another thing that their investigation revealed was that the vehicle was overloaded.

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Ismail Bala Jibril

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May God forgive the departed souls. Passengers should henceforth resist any form of overloading by drivers pls.

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HALLIRU ABDULLAHI

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If drivers / travellers encounter into armed rovers on the high way, they shouldn't try to escape as this may cause the robbers to kill, we should try to face reality until our government did something. May Allah the almighty forgive them. Amin.

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Dread

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With the rate of death on our roads, its a wonder our popuation is still so high, one day we'll learn, this unacceptable level of road accidents day in day out, human death, we must have the highest road yearly death rate worldwide. Damn

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Auwal Sagir

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When will government look into this problem, is it until everybody is dead or when? This problem is getting worst everyday and those responsible for it have not say anything up to now

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Sadiq Senior R/Zaki

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this is absolutely driver's fault. therefore, he should be convicted into as soon as he recovered and be punished accordingly. why drivers risk people life like this, how dare he took a motor vehicle in a small passengers bus. this is very careless of them. And the driver of this bus must to be punished. may Allah rest the souls of the deceased in perfect piece.

Abubakar Abubakar Usman  
IIUM KL, Malaysia

Thursday 28 May 2009, 13:22

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Mohammed Sani

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May Allah forgive them and give them everlasting peace in jannat

Thursday 28 May 2009, 13:29

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HADI PANDOGARI

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An 18 seater bus conveying 28 passengers, incredible, both drivers and commuters should be very careful at joining an overloaded vehicle. May their gentle souls rest in perfect peace, amin.

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Moh'd Nasir Kajama.

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Allazina iza asabat-hummusib atun qalu, inna lillahi wa inna ilaihi raji uun.

Thursday 28 May 2009, 13:52

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Bishir Ahmadu

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May Allah SWT forgive them all. This indicates the urgent need for road rehabilitation and sound measures to check the road worthiness of vehicles in Nigeria.  
Once again, may Allah have mercy on these souls, ameen

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Abdulkadir Idris

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Nigeria is rotten state we are retrogressing by the day. when will our people learn to check the condition of vehicle and integrity of the driver before boarding the vehicle. In fact it is just too much for this Road accident. Agencies concern and the general public should do something about.

Thursday 28 May 2009, 14:03

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aisha

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Allah ya jikan su amin.

Thursday 28 May 2009, 14:04

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habib munnir babba danagundi

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ina lilahi wainna ilaihir rajuun. allah ya jikan su sannan allah ya kyautata namu zuwn.

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kowa g

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Shekarau kayi wa Allah kayi wa Annabinsa ka bar wani shirme wai shariah a Kano ka kyautata jin dadin mutanen jihar kano. Satin da ya wuce mutane 21 suka mutum a jikar kano saboda hatsarin mota amma ba abinda ya dameka banda yaudaran mutanen jihar kano da ka ke tayi akan shariah da tursasawa masu shirya fina finen hausa. an zabe ka ne don ka tursasawa masu shirya film ne ko ka yaudari jama'a da sharia?

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sani umar

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may Allah grant the paradise

Thursday 28 May 2009, 15:24

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Muhammad Baba Fika

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May Allah 4gv dem and grand reposed to their souls. Though security is one of the Mr presidents 7 points agenda.

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SB ADAMU

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May their departed souls rest in perfect peace. Amin

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zia-ul-rahman Abubakar

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Allah ya jikan musulmai. such is life

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Abubakar Suleiman

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inna lillahi wa inna ilaihi raji uun.I am visibly too shocked,this is not just a loss to the Shanono family but a national tragedy,My heart felt sympathy goes to the shanono family,may Allah give them the fortitude to bear the loss.The loss of these women and innocent young children,an epitome of a bright future is really very shocking and devastating.Drivers should be put to check,this one too many,our roads are dead traps coupled with recklessness on the part of our inexperience drivers many of whom learn to drive on an open field not minding to abide by rules and regulations of the roads or even rhave curtesy for other road users.I cant understand why a driver would have an entire family in his vehicle and then speed terribly,This is extremely very sad.ALLAH YA GAFARTA MASU,YA SA MAKOMARSU ALJANNA NE.

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Life is best on taste GOD can taste an individuals in different way, we should pray to them not accusing our leaders as muslims, we all believe in death no one wil escape from death.

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Sheikh Abdallah

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May Allah forgive their sins and admit them to paradise.

Friday 29 May 2009, 09:44

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ABUBAKAR IDRIS COMPUTER

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Allah Yajikan Muslmi kuma Yakaremu daga wannan haddura dake abkuwa amin, kuma Drivers arege Gudu da zarin Loads; i.e Avoid Over Loads and Speed.

Friday 29 May 2009, 16:25

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fati

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Iblame all the catastrophies happenning in kano on the so called shekarau.who is there taking his wives to london to give birth,in the so expensive great portland hospital.his children going abroad to study,neglecting his responsibilitie s stealing the money and killing Innocent people that he decieved using the Name Of The all mighty kaji tsoran Allah.

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Ali sule dambatta

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inna lillahi wa inna ilaihi raji uun .Allah ya jikan su,

Friday 29 May 2009, 21:22

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Ibrahim el Yakubu

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Inna Lillahi wa inna ilaihi rajiun. We need to adress the issue here. Nigeria has no real road safety laws, people are not fined for having substandard vehicles on the roads and no regular checks to certify the vehicles. The law needs to be changed so that drivers who agree to speed and carry over the agreed weight limits face prison and fine, then we'll see a change in the dirving culture. may Almighty God rest their souls, Amin.

Saturday 30 May 2009, 10:33

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onukogu victor

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Our drivers should be more careful because life has no duplicate.May God Almightly grant all the departed souls eternal rest.

Monday 01 June 2009, 14:13

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I strongly support ur motion that drivers have to be very careful in overloading goods and passengers at thesame time road safety should also take necessary punishment againts these type of drivers...may their soul rest in peace.

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