## Eight die in auto crash along Abuja – Kaduna road

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EIGHT people died and 10 others were injured in a road crash yesterday close to Dikko Junction along Abuja -Kaduna express way in Suleja local government area of Niger State.

Witnesses said the incident happened when an 18-seater Toyota bus rammed into another bus

coming from the opposite direction.

One of the busses burst into flames on impact, witnesses said, adding that those who died were burnt beyond recognition.

A witness told Daily
Trust that the accident
occurred shortly after a
down pour at about 6:30
am, when a bus with
registration number
SC369BBG heading

toward Kaduna enroute Kano ran into another bus with registration number, SB 467, believed to be on local shuttle.

The Unit Commander of Suleja Unit of the Federal Road Safety Corp Edwin Chukwuemeka Nwokike confirmed the incident, saying the remains of the eight persons who died in the accident had been deposited at the General

Hospital, Suleja where the injured were also receiving treatment.

He said the six that initially died were the victims who were burnt beyond recognition, while two others died while receiving treatment at same hospital.

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