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12 IZALA MEMBERS KILLED IN AUTO CRASH NEAR SULEJA



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Twelve members of Izala Islamic Organisation were reportedly killed on Sunday in a ghastly motor accident that occurred along Suleja-Minna road in Niger Sate.

A witness said the accident, which occurred at Gwachipe village, some kilometer away from Suleja, also injured seven other people.

The witness said the victims were heading to Zuru in Kebbi state through Suleja-Minna highway after attending a national preaching and educational appeal fund, organized in Abuja by the Izala Islamic organisation at the weekend.

Suleja Unit commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), Mr. E.C Nwekeke, confirmed the accident, saying three vehicles, an 18 seater bus and two golf

He said the vehicles were trying to dodge portholes while on speed which led to their collision

Our reporter learnt that there was heavy traffic jam at the scene as symphatisers parked their vehicles to render help to the victims

Musa Abubakar, a commercial driver in the area, said he took part in the rescue operation as he arrived the scene few minutes after the accident.

He hinted that FRSC officials later took the victims to Suleia General Hospital, while the dead ones were buried at Suleja, after funeral rites.

At the Suleja General Hospital, Mu'azu Yakubu, an official of Izala First Aid Group, said after the burial on Sunday, four of the survivors were taken to Zuru from the hospital after showing some signs of recovery, while another two, who had bone fracture, were taken to a hospital in Kano.

He said only one of the victims is left unconscious at Suleja General Hospital, making it impossible to be taken along with his colleagues to Zuru, where they came from.

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