

8 die in Niger auto crash

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Eight people were confirmed dead in an auto accident along the Minna-Suleja road Thursday night, Daily Trust gathered yesterday.

Three trucks, a Volkswagen Salon car and a Honda Civic car were involved in the crash around Izom village in Gurara LGA at about 8:30 pm.

The Director General, Niger State Emergency Management Agency, Malam Ahmed Ibrahim Inga, said the eight people died as a result of a fire triggered by the crash.

He said five bodies were recovered while three were burnt beyond recognition, adding that the bodies were deposited at the Suleja General Hospital.

Two people who were critically injured are receiving treatment at the Suleja General Hospital. The cause of the crash was not immediately known, but witnesses attributed it to overtaking.