

11 killed in Zaria-Kaduna road crash

From Abubakar Sadiq Mohd Zaria

Eleven persons died in a road accident along the Zaria-Kaduna highway on Saturday afternoon.

It was gathered that the accident occurred when

a Toyota Carina car with registration number KTL 251QG, lost control around Nuhu Bamalli Polytechnic, Zaria and somersaulted after hitting the median barrier.

The Unit Commandant, Federal Road Safety Corp, Zaria Command, Abubakar Tatah

Murabus, who confirmed the accident, said all the victims have been evacuated to the morgue.

He blamed the accident on overload and over-speeding.

He said the five-seater car traveling from Kaduna to Bakori in Katsina State, was

loaded with 11 persons.

"The accident occurred on Saturday afternoon around 2pm along Tariyar Sarki near Nuhu Bamalli Polytechnic, Zaria."

"This is why we warn drivers to desist from the habit of overloading passengers.

"You can imagine this car,

which was meant to carry five people including the driver had instead carried eleven persons, and the driver was said to be overspeeding despite the number of people in the car," he said.

He gave the name of the driver as Musa Iliyasu.

Court reveals