

SPOTLIGHT

Seven persons die, three injured in Bauchi road accident

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THE Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) has confirmed that seven people lost their lives while three others sustained varying degrees of injuries in multiple accidents that occurred in Bauchi State.

Public Relations Officer, Bauchi Sector Command, Rilwan Suleiman, who confirmed the accident directed newsmen to the Staff Officer in Charge of Rescue, Chadi Khamis who explained that two accidents happened at two different locations in the state on Tuesday.

He said seven people died in an accident involving two vehicles at Zangoro Village in Ganjuwa Local Government

Area of Bauchi State. He said: "Two commercial vehicles, a Sharon car with Reg. No. DNG 244 AM and a Vectra car with Reg. No. DRZ 598 XA were involved in a ghastly motor accident at Zangoro Village in Ganjuwa LGA of Bauchi State on Monday, 28th January, 2019 at about 7.45pm.

"The accident was caused by over-speeding and wrongful overtaking by the driver of one of the vehicles which led to a head-on collision of the two vehicles. Six of the passengers died on the spot while the 7th passenger died at the hospital. Nine people

were involved in the accident with the other two taken to the Abubabakar Tafawa Balewa Teaching Hospital Bauchi for medical attention."

2 Khamis said that the second accident happened close to the NNPC Mega Filing Station at Wuntin Dada in Bauchi metropolis. He said a J5 open van with registration number BAU-851 ZE which had two passengers was carrying a brand new tractor when the accident happened.

According to him, the driver of the J5 who was driving out

of Bauchi and overloaded tried overtaking a vehicle wrongly, "in the process, the tractor fell off from the J5."

He added: "The driver of a Peugeot 308 who was coming into Bauchi had a head-on collision with the J5 who was still on his lane after the wrongful overtaking. It happened around 7pm that same day (Monday, 28th January, 2019).

The Staff Officer Rescue informed that the driver of the J5 broke his leg while the other Peugeot 308 driver who was alone had no physical injury.

