

15 Die In Gombe Auto Accidents

Fifteen persons, including a five-month-old baby, on Friday, lost their lives in two separate road accidents along Darazo-Gombe road, Gombe State.

Briefing newsmen in Gombe on Monday, the state Sector Commander of Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), Fidelis Osakwe, said 14 other passengers were injured.

Osakwe said the first accident, which occurred at about 10.19 p.m., involved a 14-seater bus, marked LGB 13 BBU.

He said the driver of the vehicle was over speeding and lost control, resulting in the vehicle somersaulting many times.

The commander said apart from over spending, 24 people were in the vehicle instead of 14 that was its capacity.

He said the second accident occurred at about 9.50 p.m. the same day, few metres away from the first.

He attributed the second accident to poor visibility, resulting in the collision of two vehicles, which burst into flames.

Osakwe said victims who sustained injuries were admitted at the Specialists Hospital, Gombe.