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Death toll in Bauchi/Jos road auto crash rises to 50

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CHAIRMAN of Toro Local Government Area of Bauchi State, Isa Mohammed Kufai, has disclosed that over 50 people died in an accident that occurred along Bauchi/Jos road last weekend.

According to him, only 17 dead bodies were identified, recovered and buried in Toro, adding that the local government has

intensified search to locate the families and relatives of over 30 unidentified persons burnt in the auto crash.

Kufai disclosed this on Wednesday when he received Governor Isa Yuguda, who paid a condolence visit to the victims in Toro.

He said, "over 50 people died in the accident and only 17 dead bodies were identified, recovered and buried in Toro, the council had contacted the families of the identified victims and extended its condolences and we are intensifying effort to locate the families of 30 un identified persons".

The Governor described the accident as a great tragedy, "I was shocked with the number of people who died, I sympathise with the families of the deceased, we want them to take this accident as an act of God".

Yuguda, who visited the spot

of the accident, prayed to God to grant the deceased eternal rest and advised the families to bear the irreparable loss with fortitude.

It could be recalled that a petrol tanker carrying petrol from Jos to Bauchi, lost control last weekend and ram into 17 other vehicles in Narabi village in Toro Local Government in Bauchi state where over 50 people lost their lives.

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