

Two die, others injured in Bauchi auto crash

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A 70-year-old woman and a teenager lost their lives on Wednesday in an auto crash which occurred at Tashan Gurage on the Maiduguri-Potiskum road in Dambam Local Government Area of Bauchi State while several others sustained injuries.

The deceased, Aminat Audi from Maiduguri, Borno State and Yau Hamza, a 15-year-old boy, were among the 56 passengers travelling to Jigawa State from Maiduguri inside a white Ford lorry with registration number KGG 195 AA.

In a statement made available to journalists by Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) of the Bauchi State Police Command, Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) Haruna Mohammed, the accident happened at about 12:30pm when the lorry had a tyre burst and somersaulted.

It said "As a result, all the 56 passengers sustained various degrees of injuries and were rushed to General Hospital, Potiskum for medical attention where two persons namely Yau Hamza, male, age 15 years and Aminat Audi, female, age 70 years of Maiduguri, Borno State were confirmed dead on arrival," the statement said.

He said that investigation into the accident was in progress.