Six Die In Bauchi Auto Crash

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Six people have been killed while six others sustained injuries in an auto crash that occurred at Buzayi village along Bauchi-Jos road on Wednesday night.

Among the deceased were a father and two of his children aged two and eight.

An eyewitness, who spoke on condition of anonymity, told INDE-PENDENT that the accident involved a tipper and a car.

He said occupants of the car were returning

to Makera in the Bauchi metropolis after a condolence visit to Nabordo town in Toro Local Government Area of the state when it was hit by the Jos-bound tipper.

"The tipper driver was driving without headlamps. The driver lost control and ran into the car but as soon as the tipper driver hit the car, he immediately jumped out and ran away," he said.

According to him, it took several hours to remove the mangled bodies of the victims from the damaged car.

Those who died included Umar Ladan 40 and his two children, Hauwa Umar, eight and Rilwanu Ladan, two. Others were Nuhu Ibrahim, 38 and Auta Shehu, 25, and Hafsat Amin, three.

The deceased have all been buried according to Islamic rites.

Speaking during a condolence visit to the family of the deceased at Makera, Bauchi, the Bauchi State Head of Service, Alhaji Liman Bello, who represented Governor Mohammed Abubakar, sympathised with the family over the demise of their sons and daughters.

He prayed for the repose of their souls and the families the fortitude to bear the loss.

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