

# Two Die, 60 Injured In Yobe Auto Crash

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**Damaturu** – An auto crash on the Potiskum-Damaturu highway in Yobe State on Friday claimed two lives while 60 others sustained various degrees of injuries.

One of the victims who gave his name as Adamu Mohammed said the accident occurred around 9:30am on Friday. He said “we were in a Mitsubishi truck when the driver lost control and veered into the bush, we were 62 in number mostly youths heading to a Village (Ibra) for a wedding ceremony of one of our friends.”

When INDEPENDENT visited the accident and emergency unit of General Hospital, Potiskum some victims were seen undergoing treatment.

Confirming the incident, Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) Potiskum Staff Officer Operations, DRC Umar Mohammed admitted that “There was a fatal accident along Potiskum-Damaturu highway, our personnel promptly responded by visiting the scene of the accident and rescued the victims to the hospital, some lives were lost, we are compiling the record of the casualties.”

Another official of the commission who does not want his name in print disclosed that they have always warned drivers to desist from this reckless act, overloading which ultimately results in killing of innocent lives.

He added that FRSC would sanction any driver caught driving against traffic while calling on passengers to also complain against such drivers.

Investigations revealed that the passengers were carried in a vehicle meant for carrying goods only.

The corpses have been deposited at the Morgue of the General Hospital, Potiskum.

Police, Vigilante and Red Cross personnel gathered to assist in the Hospital.