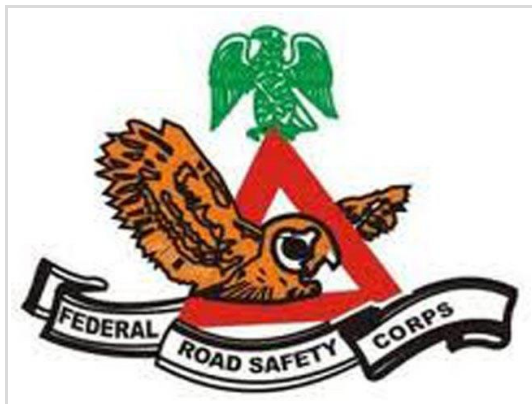


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Ten people were on Tuesday confirmed dead, while seven others sustained varied degrees of injuries in a car accident that occurred along Katsina-Batsari road.

It was gathered that the auto crash involving two J5 buses, one with registration number XA 726 MLF and another marked XA 247 MSH, occurred in the early hours of Tuesday at Barawa village.

Eyewitness said one of the ill-fated vehicles was loaded with jerricans of oil, while the other had passengers on board.

"The accident occurred when one of the vehicles attempted dodging potholes and

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suddenly swerved to the opposite lane.

Suddenly, we heard people wailing," an eyewitness said.

Sector commander of Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) in Katsina State, Habu Dauda, who confirmed the accident, said the ten people were burnt beyond recognition, noting that "7 of those in the ill-fated vehicles are in critical condition."

Dauda said the vehicles went up in flames following head on collision and accused the drivers of not adhering to traffic regulations, saying the injured had been rushed to Katsina General hospital for treatment.

Reacting to the auto crash, Governor Ibrahim Mahu Shema urged the state department for community development and the ministry for health to provide assistance to the victims.

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