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## ACCIDENT: 6 Die, 7 Injured In Taraba Auto Crash

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Three people yesterday died and seven others sustained various degrees of injuries in an auto crash at Kwaji Taya in Yorro local government area of Taraba State.

The accident occurred when a Toyota truck conveying 10 passengers and five cows summersaulted into a bridge. The accident which occurred at 8am was linked to over speeding.

A witness, Mallam Tukura Jabari told LEADERSHIP that the truck with registration number XB 146 DKU which was heading for Iware market in Taraba, from Adamawa State, crashed into the bridge when the front tyre burst.

"The truck was heading to Iware market here in Taraba state and all of a sudden, one of the front tyres got burst and it crashed into this bridge. Though we rushed to the scene of the accident and started evacuating passengers, one person died instantly, while the remaining two died on the way to the hospital," he narrated, adding that the driver of the truck on sensing danger jumped out of the vehicle and only sustained minor injuries.

Another witness, Alhaji Abdulmumini Nyanari, described the accident as a great tragedy, noting that most of the passengers were Fulani who were on their way to Iware market in Taraba State.

He called on the Federal Road Maintenance Agency, (FERMA) to seal the potholes that dot the road to forestall occurrence of accidents on the road.

Nyanari said survivors of the accident were receiving treatment at Zing General Hospital.