10 burnt to death in Bauch road crash

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Ten people were burnt to death on Wednesday night when a J5 Peugeot passenger bus somersaulted on the Darazo-Kari-Maiduguri Road in Darazo Local Government Area Bauchi State.

One person survived the accident with severe injuries.

An eyewitness told The Nation that the bus was on a high speed when it suddenly tumbled, landed <u>on its side and caught fire</u>. Its <u>10</u> passengers were said to have been burnt beyond recognition.

The eyewitness added that efforts by sympathizers and men of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), who were called to the scene, could not save the passengers.

It was learnt that the bus was heading to Adamawa State from Jigawa State, conveying domestic animals with the passengers.

The Bauchi State Sector Commander of the FRSC, Zakariya Mamman, confirmed the incident.

He said the accident occurred at about 10.45pm when the driver lost control due to the high speed.

The sector commander added that the survivor is receiving treatment

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at the Darazo General Hospital in Bauchi.

Zakariya urged drivers to obey traffic rules and regulations, adding that most road accidents are caused by reckless driving.

He said: "There is the need to always maintain speed limit while driving."

The sector commander said the commission would not tolerate reckless driving on the highways as it would ensure that drivers comply with traffic rules and regulations to save travellers' lives.

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