

15 confirmed killed, seven injured in Bauchi auto crash

FIFTEEN passengers were yesterday confirmed killed in an auto crash at Nabordo village, in Toro Local Government Area of Bauchi State.

Confirming the incident, the Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) in the state, Mr. Yusuf Abdullahi, the accident involved one articulated vehicle and a Toyota Hiace bus.

According to him, seven other persons were seriously injured in the accident which occurred at about 3pm.

Abdullahi blamed the crash on loss of control, speed violation and dangerous driving.

He said: "Twenty-two persons were involved in the road crash. There were 18 male adults, two female adults, one

female child and one male child.

"Fifteen of the people, 12 male adults, one female adult and the two children lost their lives on the spot.

"Seven others, six male adults and one female adult sustained various degrees of injuries," he stated.

He said that the injured were taken to the Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University Teaching Hospital, Bauchi for treatment while the corpses were deposited at the morgue of the same hospital.

The sector commander charged motorists to always ensure they had good tyres, maintain the average speed limit, routine vehicle maintenance and be in sound state of mind while driving.