

# Kano-Zaria road auto crash claims 11

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A GHASTLY auto accident on the ever busy Kano-Zaria high way along Gyadi-gyadi at the weekend claimed the lives of over 10 persons most of whom are children of a former commissioner in Kano State.

*New Nigerian* reliably gathered that the accident which involved a Toyota Carina 11 and Honda Civic were burnt beyond recognition with their occupants when one of the vehicles which was conveying friends of a newly wedded couple on their way home after a night party lost control and rammed into jerry can of petrol on display on the ever busy high way and immediately caught

fire.

It was further learnt that the second vehicle which was also carrying friends of the couple rammed into the first vehicle and caught fire while passers-by looked helplessly as the vehicles and their occupants were being consumed by the fire.

According to eye witness account, the two vehicles were carrying 16 persons eight in each, adding that by the time rescue operation arrived no fewer than 10 persons were burnt beyond recognition while six others sustained degrees of burns.

The victims were however given mass burial in line with

Islamic rites, while the survivors are now receiving treatment at the Murtala Muhammad Specialists Hospital, Kano.

When contacted the Kano Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety Commission, Alhaji Ahmed Hassan confirmed the story and said his men arrived the scene of the accident at about 11 pm Saturday and that they were the first to arrive the scene.

He said his men on the spot recovered 10 corpses from the charred vehicles and rushed two who sustained serious burns to the hospital.