11 men travelling for Eid-el-Kabir celebration die in Zamfara auto crash

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A fatal auto accident has claimed the lives of 11 people travelling from Abuja to Zamfara for Sallah celebration.

The 11 passengers, who were all men, died at Dam- from opposite direction. ba village along Zaria road,

a few kilometres to Gusau, the Zamfara State capital.

Sunday Tribune gathered that the accident occurred when the driver of a Sharon vehicle from Abuja lost control and ran into an articulated vehicle coming

An eyewitness told Sun-

day Tribune that the accident was as a result of excessive speeding by the driver of the Sharon vehicle.

The eyewitness further disclosed that all the 11 passengers died on the spot.

"We were able to iden-

tify eight people as indigenes of Jangeru village of Shinkafi Local Government Area of Zamfara State, while two people were from Kaura Namoda, also in Zamfara and we are yet to know the home town of the last person," he said.

Immediately after the

incident. Governor Bello Mattawale, in company with some government officials, visited the scene where he expressed shock over the incident.

He ordered the evacuation of all the passengers to the Federal Medical Centre, Gusau.