Four die in Bauchi auto crash

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Four people including a student of the Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi, were on Sunday afternoon, killed while seven others were critically injured in an auto crash at Tashan Durumi along the Bauchi-Jos Road.

The Bauchi State Police Command confirmed the accident on Monday, stressing that four persons died in the accident.

A statement by the Police Public Relations Officer of the command, Haruna Mohammed, said the accident followed a collision between a commercial vehicle and an Opel car.

He said that the deceased were certified dead by a medical doctor at the Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University Teaching Hospital.

Mohammed gave the particulars of the vehicles as Opel Vectra with number plate TRR 744 BAU and a Volkswagen Sharon vehicle with number plate ALK 238 XA.

He explained that the accident occurred at about 2.30pm on Sunday at Tashan Durumi on the Bauchi-Jos highway.

Mohammed said that a police patrol team attached to Toro Police Division conveyed the victims to the Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University Teaching Hospital, Bauchi.

He said that four persons, including the drivers of the two vehicles, were later certified dead by a medical doctor, while seven other occupants of the vehicles were responding to treatment.

Mohammed gave the names of the four deceased persons as Abdullahi Mamman, 45; Adamu Saleh, 25; Francis Agolu, a student of the Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi; and Aliyu Umar, 46, from Gombe State.

The police spokesman called on the members of the public whose relations might have embarked

on a journey from Gombe to Bauchi, to visit the hospital for identification of their relatives if they were missing.

He said that the case was under investigation to ascertain the actual cause of the accident.

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