Nine killed in Bauchi, Katsina auto crashes

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No fewer than nine persons died in separate crashes that occurred on Thursday and Friday in Bauchi and Katsina states.

One of our correspondents learnt that four persons were killed in the first crash, which occurred on the Bauchi-Jos Road on Thursday.

The Public Relations Officer, Bauchi State Sector Command, Federal Road Safety Corps, Rilwan Mohammed, confirmed the crash to *PUNCH Metro* on Sunday.

He said, "The accident occurred on Thursday at Wam village along the Bauchi-Jos Road.

"What happened was that after leaving Wam village before a portion on the highway that has potholes, a Dangote truck developed a fault and was parked by the roadside, so when the driver of a Sharon vehicle conveying seven passengers got to the spot at night, he was affected by the dazzling light of an incoming vehicle and rammed into the truck.

"Immediately we were called upon, we rushed to the scene of the crash and evacuated the victims to hospital, where four persons were pronounced dead by a medical doctor.

"The other three passengers sustained injuries and are currently receiving treatment at the Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University Teaching Hospital."

He said that the deceased were two male and two female adults