

Seventy others were said to have sustained varying degrees of injury in the accidents.

Our correspondent gathered that six people were killed in the first accident, involving 72 traders who were travelling in a truck from the Darazo Local Government Area of Bauchi to Dukku Market in Gombe State.

The Sector Commander, Federal Road Safety Corps, Bauchi State, Assistant Corp Commander Yusuf Abdullahi, confirmed the accident to our correspondent during a telephone interview.

Abdullahi said, "Yes, there was a lone fatal accident today, March 17, 2021, around 9.10am on Km 15, Kwannan Dallol, Darazon-Dukku Road.

"The accident involved 72 people, all males, who were in a commercial Mercedes Benz 911 truck, with number plate, AA476MSA, driven by one Alhaji Sai'du Misau, going to Dukku Market.

"The truck skidded off the road and threw the people away. Six of them were killed, while 54 others sustained varying degrees of injury. It took us hours to carry out the rescue operation. The probable cause of the crash is dangerous overtaking."