

# FRSC blames speed violations as 20 killed in Bauchi crashes

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No fewer than 20 people were killed while seven others sustained varying degrees of injuries in multiple crashes that occurred on Sunday evening.

The Sector Commander, Federal Road Safety Corp, Bauchi State, Yusuf Abdullahi, confirmed the crashes to our correspondent late Sunday night.

He said the first crash which involved two vehicles occurred at about 7pm at Bambal Village along Kano-Jama'are highway.

He added that one of the vehicles, an 18-seater Toyota Hummer bus, collided with a trailer with number plate, MAD710XA, and immediately went up in flames.

Abdullahi said the crash which had 10 male adults and six female adults was caused by speed violation.

He said, "There were 16 people involved in this crash comprising 10 male adults and six female adults. The crash was caused by speed violation.

"The hummer bus rammed into a moving trailer and it went into flames, killing all the occupants on board. The corpses were taken and deposited at the General Hospital Kiyawa.

"In fact, all the 16 passengers were burnt beyond recognition. It is sad."

He said the second crash happened at 6.30pm at Duhuwar Kura village, along Azare-Zaki road, killing four passengers and injuring seven others.

He added that the crash also involved a Volkswagen Golf car driven by one Abubakar Haruna and a Bajaj Boxer motorcycle.

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According to him, the crash was also caused by speed violation and overloading.

He said, “There were 11 people involved in the crash comprising of nine male adults, one female adult and one female child.

“After the crash, the victims were rushed to the Federal Medical Centre, Azare, for confirmation and treatment, where a medical doctor confirmed four male adults dead.

“Those injured included five male adults, one female adult and one female child.”

Abdullahi lamented the frequent crashes along routes across the state.

He called on drivers to avoid overloading and observe road traffic rules and regulations in order to minimise loss of lives and properties.