

# Seven killed as bus, car collide in Bauchi, go up in flame

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**N**O fewer than seven people have been confirmed dead in a fatal crash that occurred on Thursday at Haka Yaki village, close to Buzaye town, along Bauchi-Jos Road in the Toro Local Government Area of Bauchi State.

Two other people sustained varying degrees of injury in the crash which occurred at 12.30pm.

The Sector Commander, Federal Road Safety Corps,



• Scene of the accident

Bauchi State, Yusuf Abdullahi, who confirmed the incident to our correspondent in a telephone interview, said the crash was caused by speed violation, which resulted in a head-on collision.

He said seven people were killed, while two others sustained varying degrees of injury.

Abdullahi said, "Yes, there was a fatal crash today, Thursday, January 13, 2022, around 12.30pm, at Haka Yafi village, close to Buzaye town along the Bauchi-Jos Road.

"The crash involved two commercial vehicles, a Sharon Galaxy bus with number plate YLA 88 ZY, which was driven by one Mustapha Adamu, and a Toyota Hiace bus with number plate, KUJ 182 TU.

"The crash was caused by speed violation. It resulted in loss of control and eventually, a head-on collision. One of the vehicles, the Toyota Hiace bus, went up in flames.

"The driver of the Toyota Hiace bus, who was alone in the vehicle and was conveying goods, also

died in the unfortunate incident.

"Our men arrived at the scene within five minutes to rescue the victims. They rushed them to the Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University Teaching Hospital, Bauchi, for medical treatment and confirmation, where a medical doctor confirmed seven people dead. Two others, all male adults, sustained varying degrees of injury."

The FRSC boss expressed worry over the recklessness and violation of speed by motorists and appealed to them to be more careful on the road.

"The main issues have always been speed violation and reckless driving by motorists, these are just the problems. The motorists need to have a rethink and they should change their attitude on how they use the road," he appealed.

Abdullahi said the obstructions on the road had been cleared to allow for free flow of traffic to other road users, adding that items recovered included six phones and the sum of N109,090 cash, among others.

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The FCT police spokesperson, DSP Josephine Adeh, confirmed the incident, adding that investigation was ongoing.

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defendant, Justice Majebi averred that "a confession is an admission at any time by a person charged with a crime stating or suggesting that he committed the crime."

"It is well settled that in a criminal trial (that) an issue may be proved by direct evidence (evidence of an eyewitness), confession or admission voluntarily made by the defendant and circumstantial evidence," he added.

While concluding that the entire case of the prosecution was built on the confessional