

Nine killed in Bauchi crash, FRSC blames speeding

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An accident scene

Nine people have been killed in a fatal crash at Kwana Shettu village, along Potiskum-Azare Road in the Katagum Local Government Area of Bauchi State.

No fewer than 13 others sustained varying degrees of injuries in the crash, which occurred around 9.07pm on Monday.

The Bauchi State Sector Commander, Federal Road Safety Corps, Yusuf Abdullahi, said the crash involved 22 people.

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He said, "It involved two vehicles, a DAF trailer belonging to BUA and driven by Alhaji Sani Ali, and a commercial Toyota Hiace bus, whose driver's identity is unknown. It has a number plate, KTG-08XC. The crash was caused by speed limit violation.

"When we got the call, our men rushed to the scene of the crash for a rescue operation. They immediately took the victims to the FMC, Azare, for treatment and confirmation.

"It was there that a medical doctor confirmed nine male adults dead; 13 others who sustained different degrees of injury are responding to treatment."