

# Nine die in Niger, Bauchi road crashes

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Seven persons have lost their lives in an accident that occurred at Gwachip village in the Gurara Local Government Area of Niger State.

According to the Federal Road Safety Corps sector commander, Kumar Tsukwan, the lone accident occurred when one of the tyres of a white Toyota Hiace burst.

Tsukwan explained that the vehicle was heading for Lagos from Katsina State when the accident occurred.

He added that those who lost their lives in the accident were two females and five males while others were severely injured.

He further stated that corpses had been deposited at the Suleja General Hospital while those injured were receiving treatment at the Federal Medical Centre, Gawu.

Meanwhile, two persons have lost their lives in an auto crash in Zalanga village, in the Ganjuwa Local Government Area of Bauchi State.

The Bauchi Sector Commander of the FRSC,

Malam Yusuf Abdullahi, told the News Agency of Nigeria on Friday that the accident involved one articulated Mercedes Benz and a commercial Sharon bus.

He said seven other persons were seriously injured with bruises and fractures in the accident blamed on overloading and loss of control.

"Nine persons were involved in the road crash and they were all male adults. Two people lost their lives on the spot while seven others were seriously injured," he said.