

Faith Maji, Katsina

NINE persons died, while 11 others were injured in a road crash that occurred along the Malumfashi-Kafur Road, Malumfashi Local Government Area of Katsina State, on Sunday.

The Katsina State Sector Commander of the Federal

Road Safety Corps, Aliyu Ma'aji, who confirmed the incident, told our correspondent that the passengers were travelling in a Hummer Bus that was conveying 20 people while the vehicle was coming from Lagos to Katsina.

According to him, 11 persons were taken to the hospital.

Ma'aji noted that preliminary investigation revealed that the lone crash was caused by speeding, which led to the loss of control on the part of the driver.

Giving an update later in the day, the state FRSC Command Public Relations Officer, Shamsudeen Babajo, said out of the 11 persons taken to the hospital, three victims were referred to an orthopaedic clinic in the area for further treatment while seven others were discharged.

"Out of the 11 people who sustained injuries and were taken to the General Hospital Malumfashi, three were referred to the General Rimi Orthopaedic Hospital, Katsina, while the remaining seven were discharged," the spokesperson said.