

Gombe road crash claims three lives

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Map of Gombe State

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The Federal Road Safety Corps in Gombe State has confirmed the death of three members of the Boys Brigade Nigeria in a car crash that occurred along the Gombe–Billiri Road on Tuesday.

The victims were said to be travelling to Tal in Billiri Local Government Area for the funeral of a fellow Boys Brigade member and his daughter, who had earlier died in an accident at the Rainbow Roundabout.

The state Public Relations Officer of the FRSC, Janet Kassa, on Wednesday, confirmed the fatalities in a brief response to enquiries, saying, “Confirmed.”

She added, "Preliminary investigation suggests tyre issues."

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Reacting to the incident, the outgoing Chairman of the Nigerian Bar Association, Gombe Branch, Benjamin Sati, expressed condolences to the families of the victims and members of the Brigade.

The statement read, "The Nigerian Bar Association Gombe Branch commiserate with the Boy's Brigade Nigeria, Gombe State Council, particularly the President of BBN Gombe State Chief Caleb Ubale Esq., the families of the deceased and injured members of the brigade who got involved in a tragic road crash along the Gombe-Billiri Road, and the government and entire people of Gombe State."

Sati prayed for the speedy recovery of the injured and comfort for the bereaved.

"We pray for comfort for the loss of those who lost their lives and healing to the injured. We pray for God's perfect healing for your hearts. Take this as the doing of the Lord and be grateful notwithstanding," Sati added.