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Eight students of University of Maiduguri have died while five others sustained injuries in a road accident in Bauchi State. The students were travelling to Abuja for a fellowship of Christian Worship Conference, when the accident occurred at Lamari village, Sade in Darazo Local Government Area of Bauchi state.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) in the state, DSP Mohammed Haruna told newsmen that the accident occurred at about 2 p.m. on Wednesday.

Haruna said a convoy of three buses conveying the students of University of Maiduguri and the School of Nursing to Abuja for the conference was involved in the accident, which claimed the lives of eight of the occupants of the bus.

According to him, the driver of one of the buses in an attempt to avert a head-on collision with another vehicle, lost control and crushed a bus, leading to the death of some occupants of the bus while five of them sustained injuries.

He said one of the vehicles, a Toyota Hummer bus with registration No MAG 547 AA Borno, lost control and somersaulted crashing into the bush.

Haruna said policemen visited the scene of the accident and rushed the victims to the General Hospital, Darazo, for treatment but they were later referred to Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University Teaching Hospital.

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