

# 9 killed, 7 injured in Maiduguri - Damaturu road motor crash

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**N**o fewer than nine persons were killed in a ghastly motor accident along the Maiduguri - Damaturu road in Borno State on Friday.

The Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Borno Command in a statement signed by its Commander, Usman Muhammad said: "(The)

devastating road traffic crash occurred on Friday, 18th July along Maiduguri-Damaturu road/highway at approximately 1530hrs resulting in the loss of nine lives comprising five male adults, one female adult, two male Child and One female child.

"The total number of passengers seven others sustained various injuries in the crash, which involved two

vehicles (a Toyota Hummer bus belonging to Borno Express and a commercial Trailer)", the statement said.

The statement continued: "The cause of the crash is attributed to speeding, which resulted in loss of control. Eight passengers died on the spot, while one died in the Specialist Hospital. The injured are presently receiving treatment at the Specialists Hospital

Maiduguri."

While sympathizing with the family of the victim, the Corps said, "Our thoughts and condolences go out to the families and loved ones of the deceased. Authorities are investigating the cause of the crash.

The motoring public is urged to exercise caution on the road. Further details will be provided as the investigation unfolds."