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Five siblings, 10 others perish in Kano fire, auto crash

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KANO — FIVE children of same parents were among 15 people that perished in two separate accidents at Kumbotso and Takai councils of Kano State, weekend.

The minors identified as children of Magaji Tambaya, Dean, Faculty of Engineering, Kano State University, were burnt beyond recognition during a mid-night fire at their WRECA residence at Panshekara outskirts of Kano municipality.

Officials of Kano State Fire Service told journalists in Kano that "the fire incident in the official residence was reported around 1.50 a.m. Saturday."

The Head of Operations, Kano State Fire Service, Kashim Musa Bichi, explained that the

cause of the fire could not be ascertained immediately, adding that "it took my men hectic time to put off the inferno."

He said investigation on Panshekara fire had commenced and advised urban dwellers to employ safety measures to safeguard their homes.

In a related development, 10 people died on the spot Saturday evening, when a Toyota bus travelling on Kano-Kari road had a head on collision with a J5 bus at a village near Takai.

Eyewitnesses told *Vanguard* that scores sustained various degrees of injury in the auto crash that involved 30 people.

Head of Operations, Kano Fire Service told newsmen in Kano that "the corpses and the injured have been taken to Dan'masara General Hospital near Dutse, the Jigawa State capital."