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2 killed, 8 injured in Bauchi auto crashes

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BAUCHI — No fewer than two persons died, on Monday, while eight others sustained injuries in two separate auto crashes that occurred along Bauchi/Maiduguri road.

Vanguard gathered that the first accident which happened around 5.20pm, involved a Golf car with number plate AG779KIN and a motorcycle with number plate AX100 MC.

The second crash occurred around 8.25pm involving an articulated truck tanker with number plate XA 961 GWK and two cars with registration numbers: AE 466 DRZ and AA 384 BLE respectively.

The Bauchi State Federal Road Safety Corps, FRSC, commander, Mr. Sunday Henry Olatunji, who confirmed the two crashes said: "One person was confirmed dead while three others sustained injuries in the first accident in Badaromo village, along Bauchi/Maiduguri road.

"Another person was killed while five others were injured in the second crash that involved a trailer tanker and two Vectra cars in Kare village, along the same road. All the victims of the crash are men."

Olatuji said when officers of FRSC attached to the Bauchi command got the information of the crashes, they went to scene and evacuated the dead persons to the mortuary at the Abubakar Tafawa Balewa Teaching Hospital while the injured were given medical treatment.

He attributed the crashes to reckless driving, over-speeding and wrong overtaking, particularly on the part of the cars.

The sector commander said: "From our investigations on the second crash, it was the Vectra car drivers that were at fault because they were over-speeding and overtaking wrongly on the wrong lane, which led to a head-on collision with the trailer."