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ISLAMABAD (AP) Police say a bus has crashed in northwestern Pakistan killing at least 13 people and injuring 35. Police officer Sardar Shah says the driver of the bus lost control Wednesday while driving on a mountain road, and the bus veered into a ditch in the Batagram district of North West Frontier Province. He says three children are among the dead. Shah blamed the accident on the driver's speeding as he went into a sharp turn on the road. Such accidents are common in Pakistan, where roads are often poorly maintained and drivers regularly disregard traffic rules.

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