

VIDEO: Worshippers feared killed as explosion rocks Maiduguri mosque

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A suspected suicide bomber detonated an explosive device on Wednesday evening at an Izala mosque in Ngamboru Market, Maiduguri, during evening prayers, eyewitnesses have said.

According to Muhammad Abdullahi, who witnessed the incident, the blast occurred in the middle of congregational prayers, a time when many traders in the busy market usually gather to worship before returning home.

Another eyewitness, Bukar Wakil, said the explosion triggered fire and thick smoke, burning parts of the mosque's ceiling and causing panic within the crowded market area.

Normalcy restored as Police probe Kano mosque incident

Several worshippers were feared dead, including the imam who was leading the prayers, while many others sustained varying degrees of injuries. The explosion threw the market into chaos as traders and residents fled the scene in fear.

Security operatives, including police officers and other emergency responders, were promptly deployed to the area to secure the scene and assist victims.

Several ambulances were seen conveying the injured to hospitals in Maiduguri for medical attention.

At the time of filing this report, the authorities had yet to officially confirm the number of casualties or issue a formal statement on the incident.