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## Nigerian Army Regains Control In Jos

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The Nigerian Army has said that it has regained control of Jos, the Plateau State capital following sectarian violence which has left about 300 people dead.

Army spokesman, Lt. Col Shekari Galadima says the city is very calm" and assures that there would be no more riots".

Lt. Col Galadima attributes the calm in the city to the 24-hour curfew imposed by the government, which has restricted.



Reports say that soldiers with machine guns are patrolling the streets of Jos in the back of pick-up trucks.

Residents are stopping and raising their hands to show they are not a threat as the trucks passes.

Unconfirmed reports however says that the violence appears to have spread much further than was previously thought - to the town of Pankshin.

Public buildings in Pankshin are said to have been set alight, places of worship burnt while residents are appealing for the security forces to come to their aid.

The Red Cross, which was unable to get into Jos yesterday, says its workers have begun to treat the wounded.

According to the Red Cross, over 3,000 people have been displaced as a result of the fighting, but declined to give any number.

"So far we are still compiling list of casualties and displaced people. Therefore, we don't have an exhaustive figure to give out," the head of the Red Cross in Jos, Awwalu Mohammed, told reporters.

"However, from our records so far, we have over 3,000 displaced people, sheltering in mosques, churches and police barracks. We have also taken the injured to various hospitals in the city for treatment," he added

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