

Gunmen kill PRP chairman in Maiduguri

UNKNOWN gunmen on Friday in Maiduguri shot dead Alhaji Amodu Gombe, the chairman of the Peoples Redemption Party (PRP) in Nafada Local Government Area of Borno State.

Lt.-Col. Sagir Musa, the spokesman of the Joint Task Force (JTF) on Operation Restore Order (ORO) in Borno State, confirmed the killing to newsmen on Saturday in Maiduguri.

"Information at the disposal of the JTF indicated that at about 12.20 p.m. on Friday, Alhaji Gombe was shot dead at Unquwan Yashi. He was killed by suspected assassins and efforts are being intensified to apprehend the killers," Musa said.

Some residents earlier told newsmen that a group of teenagers on Friday

afternoon shot Gombe who was on a visit to a relative in the Unguwan Yashi area of Maiduguri.

Ikorodu residents urge LASG to curb crime rate

SOME residents of Ikorodu in Lagos at the weekend called on the Lagos State Government to check the increasing crime rate in the community.

Some of the residents told the *News Agency of Nigeria (NAN)* that they were being robbed in daylight, particularly around the roundabout in the town.

Mr. Babajide Samuel, a student, told *NAN* that the criminals usually monitored their victims and would seize any opportunity to rob them.

"Recently, I went to the bank to

cash a cheque for my school fees and the money I ~~withdrew~~ was to be deposited in another bank, just about 100 metres away.

"On my way to the next bank, someone bumped into me and I apologised to him because he started abusing me in spite the fact that he was at fault. As I moved from that point, a woman just said, 'foolish boy, they just removed your money'. Immediately, I checked my pocket and discovered that my jeans was torn and the N52, 000 I withdrew was missing."