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Headlines:

Unknown gunmen kill soldier in Borno

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Yahaya Ibrahim, Maiduguri

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Two unknown gunmen riding on a motorcycle in Zannari area of Maiduguri at the weekend shot and killed a soldier, Bashir Mohammed, attached to 231 Battalion of the Nigerian Army Biu.

Borno State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), ASP Lawal Abdullahi while confirming the incident to our reporter on phone said the soldier was shot and killed by two unknown gunmen along with his friend who was shot in the leg and is currently receiving treatment at the University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital (UMTH).

An eye witness also said the soldier came along with another man to eat in a canteen in the area when two armed men riding on motorcycle shot and killed the soldier.

"It was around 2:30pm on Saturday while I was lying down on a mat together with my friends. Then we saw two men on motorcycle and the one at the back brought out a gun and opened fire on the soldier and his friend. While the soldier died on the spot, his friend was rushed to UMTH. The gunmen did not wait but quickly drove off in their motorcycle," he added.

ASP Abdullahi also said that no arrests have been made yet and investigation on the matter is still going on.

When our reporter visited the scene blood stains and several bullet holes were noticed at the scene where the soldier was killed.

Unknown gunmen suspected to be members of the Boko Haram sect had for some time been killing policemen and civilians in Borno State and this prompted the deployment of joint military patrol to the state to clamp down on the suspected fundamentalist.

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