

## Quick Read

Kaduna Muslims,  
Christians pray  
for peaceFrom Sunday Isuwa,  
Kaduna

The Inter Faith Forum of Muslim and Christian Women's Associations yesterday gathered at the Women Multi-purpose hall Kaduna to pray for peace in the state and the country.

The prayer was led by the Muslim coordinator, Hajiya Amina Kazaure; Mrs Comfort Fearon of the Christian group and the general overseer Rev. Kathleen McGarvey, all of whom asked Nigerians to work for peace. Kazaure urged all Nigerians to be agents of change.

Compass MD  
shot in OsunFrom Kayode Ekundayo,  
Lagos

Managing Director/Editor-in-Chief of the Nigerian Compass newspaper, Mr Adesina Kawonise, was attacked by gunmen along Akure-Ilesha highway in Osun State on Tuesday.

A statement from a director of the company, Biodun Oduwole, said Kawonise sustained gunshot wounds along with a police guard.

He said they were taken to a private hospital from where the policeman was transferred to the Wesley Guild Hospital Ilesha for surgery.

Mr Kawonise was transferred to the University College Hospital Ibadan where he was operated on.



Member of Anti Corruption Network at the Finance Ministry in Abuja yesterday.

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Two Chinese construction workers  
killed in Borno

## -Violence in Yobe town

From Hamza Idris & Yahaya Ibrahim,  
Maiduguri & Hamisu Kabir Matazu,  
Damaturu

Gunmen yesterday killed two Chinese construction workers in Benesheikh along Maiduguri-Damaturu road in Borno State.

Witnesses said the gunmen rode in an unmarked Golf Volkswagen car and ambushed the Chinese men who were working on the Kano-Maiduguri dual carriage project.

Locals said the incident occurred around 10.30am, adding that the gunmen had taken away a Sports Utility Vehicle (SUV) belonging to the slain construction workers.

Benesheikh is the headquarters of Kaga

Local Government Area of Borno State and is 72 kilometers away from Maiduguri.

Borno State Police Commissioner Yuguda Abdullahi said he heard of the attack and had asked his men to verify it. "I am not sure whether the Chinese men have been killed, but you can contact me later," he said.

This brings to four, the number of Chinese nationals killed in Borno State in the past months.

In neighbouring Yobe State, the Joint Task Force said riot policemen were attacked by some gunmen in Ngelzarma.

The police successfully repelled the attack and prevented the gunmen from destroying a cell phone tower, JTF Lieutenant Eli Lazarus said.

No policeman was killed during the exchange of gunfire, he added.

He said the gunmen had robbed two vehicles from civilians before they escaped but troops were trailing them.

In another incident, a JTF team in Maiduguri yesterday morning escaped a bomb explosion at a roadside in the Costain area.

JTF spokesman in Borno State, Lt. Col Sagir Musa, confirmed the incident, saying: "At about 8:38 today (yesterday), there was a failed IED attack on JTF patrol vehicle along Costain area of Maiduguri metropolis. An IED remote control bomb targeted at JTF vehicle was planted and buried on the road by suspected Boko Haram terrorists." He said there was no casualty.