

# Ali Kwara arrests 5 suspected robbers in Bauchi

## ...Death toll in Azare robbery attack rises

From Ahmed Mohammed, Bauchi

A renowned armed robbers hunter, Alhaji Ali Kwara, has arrested five suspected armed robbers in Azare, Bauchi State. A security source in the state said the arrest is not in connection with the Sunday incident.

Speaking to Daily Trust, a community leader in Katagum, said the arrest was made when the armed robbery hunter sent his boys to Tashan Gadam station, where suspected armed robbers normally have their meals.

When contacted, the armed robbery hunter, Ali Kwara, did not confirm or deny the arrest. He only said, "Just say

we have recorded success. The suspects came from the eastern part of the country, and they stayed for a long time in Azare, killing innocent people."

Ali Kwara, who said they recovered three Ak 47 rifles from the suspects, commended the communities in Azare for their role in the arrest.

Meanwhile, there are reports that the death toll in the Sunday incident has increased. A community leader, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said 11 people have been confirmed dead. He said this at the funeral prayer for three people killed in the incident.

Bauchi State Commissioner of Police, Mohammed Ladan, who spoke told Daily

Trust on the issue said, "The incident started when some gunmen suspected to be armed robbers attacked a seeds market in Azare around 12:30 pm in the afternoon. They robbed some people of their belongings, and they were about to run away when some people informed security personnel. Those security agents then pursued them. There was serious exchange of fire, and in the process, all four armed men were gunned down. Some security personnel sustained injuries, but I don't have the details of security personnel casualties. We will have the details after investigation, but we have recovered one Ak 47 rifle and one IED."

### NAMA deploys new radio frequency

From Oyedokun, Lagos

Nigerian Airspace Management Agency (NAMA) says it has raised another frequency on 120.9MHz to decongest the current one and as part of the organisation's Operational Readiness Review (ORR).

NAMA in a statement yesterday said the current radio frequency - 127.2 MHz for the Lagos Area Control Centre, is now congested following heavy traffic within the southern airspace and the best solution now is to create additional frequency to allow for effective radio communication between pilots and air traffic controllers.

NAMA said as part of the Operational Readiness Review (ORR), new procedures are being drawn, put in place, and safety audits are being conducted while the engineers and air traffic controllers are presently testing the new frequency. "The management will immediately deploy the new radio frequency for operation by Monday 17th December 2012 when the integrity of the system is ascertained. Globally, from time to time, the radio system management could be redefined to accommodate new additional equipment and that is what the agency has been doing of recent to allow for service delivery," NAMA said.

Four arrested over attack  
of youths' supporters

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