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One person was **killed** while two others were **injured** in a **clash** between **rangers** protecting the Yankari Game Reserve and **poachers**.

Bauchi State Commissioner of Tourism, Alhaji Salihu Ibrahim and the Police Public Relations Officer, ASP Hassan Mohammed Auyo, confirmed the incident

In his account, the Commissioner of Tourism said the incident occurred when the **rangers** attempted to stop the **poachers** from encroaching into the game reserve.

"The poacher rebuffed the **rangers** and opened fire and shot one ranger in his hand. As a result of that, the other **rangers** fought back. And since we don't have fire arms, the **rangers** beat the person who fired shot, and in the process, he died. But the person who was shot survived," he said. Also speaking, the police Public Relations Officer, Mohammed Auyo said

"the matter was brought under control and some arrests have been made."

They both reiterated the commitment of the Bauchi State Government to

protect the reserve and animals from poachers and any other threat. A source at the reserve however told Daily Trust that it was two people who were injured in the clash not one as confirmed by the commissioner and police spokesperson. He added that the rangers who sustained injuries were rushed to the Specialist Hospital, Bauchi, for treatment.



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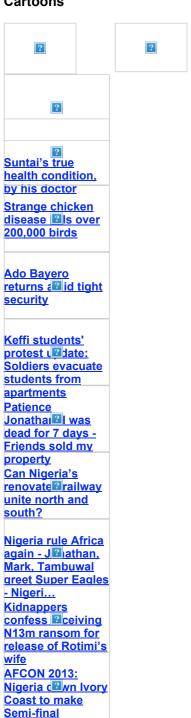
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