

# Prisoners protest death of inmate in Adamawa

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Hundreds of inmates at the Numan Prison staged a riot yesterday following the alleged killing of an inmate by prison officials.

An inmate who attempted to escape jail by scaling the prison fence was captured by officials and beaten to death sparking off the protest,

*Daily Trust* learned. The Numan prison houses more than 200 inmates.

Confirming the incident, Controller of Prisons in Adamawa State Mr Ekijere Shidi said one prisoner died from injuries when he fell off the fence after attempting to escape. He said the deceased prisoner broke the ceiling of one of the toilets in the yard and crawled through to

another room from where he gained access to the fence.

Shidi explained that when security men on duty spotted him and raised the alarm, he fell back on a slab of lavatory and got injured and later died in the hospital

*Daily Trust* gathered that the other inmates thereafter went on rampage overpowering the prison security and burn-

ing down a power generator as well as vital documents including their warrants.

A team of anti riot policemen later intervened to restore normalcy.

The prison controller called on governments and other stakeholders to provide amenities that could engage the minds of the inmates such as sporting facilities and vocational training equipment.