

GUNMEN INVADE KADUNA POLICE STATION, KILL 6

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Six people were killed by gunmen who invaded the Karshi police station in Sanga LGA of Kaduna State Tuesday night.

Two market women, A'I Hassan and Iya Ibrahim, had visited the police station seeking to bail one of their customers popularly known as Mai-Abarba while another, Matan Emeka, also visited the police station to report a case. They were killed by the gunmen who stormed the station at about 8pm.

One Inspector Mathias, a corporal and the Mai- Abarba were killed in the attack while a clergy man and two others sustained serious injuries.

"The gunmen came at about 8pm shooting. In the process, six people were killed while three others including a clergy man sustained serious injuries," a resident said.

"Our youths were able to capture two of the attackers. Out of anger, they killed the two gunmen. Military men came to the scene two hours after the incident. Everywhere is calm now as everyone is going about his normal businesses and the corpses of people who died have been deposited at the mortuary", he said.

Chairman of the local government, Emmanuel Adamu Danzaria, who visited the scene, described it as unfortunate. Danzaria urge residents to be calm and vigilante at all times.

Kaduna State police command spokesman, Aminu Lawan, said he was yet to be briefed on the attack while Police Commissioner Umar Shehu yesterday visited the police station.

"This is unfortunate. The attackers killed two policemen an Inspector and a Corporal and four civilians including women. Two of the attackers were later lynched to death by an irate mob," he said as he urged members of the community to be security conscious and report any suspicious person to the appropriate authorities. He commended the active support extended to the police at the station by members of the community during the attack.

Meanwhile, Governor Mukhtar Ramalan Yero yesterday described the killings in Fadan Karshi as a provocative attempt by hoodlums to throw the state into confusion.

In a statement signed by the Director General Media and Publicity, Ahmed Maiyaki, Yero condemned the attack which he said was capable of stimulating anxiety. He condoled with families of the victims. The governor said security forces had been directed to investigate the incident and urged people in the area to stay away from violence.

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"We call on people in Fadan Karshi and other parts of the state to remain calm as security forces have already been deployed in the area to maintain law and order. We should remain united and resolute in resisting obvious attempts by agents of darkness to create confusion and sow seeds of discord in our state", he said. The governor also urged the people to be vigilant and assist security forces with relevant information.

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