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Two drown in Maiduguri after Boko Haram scare

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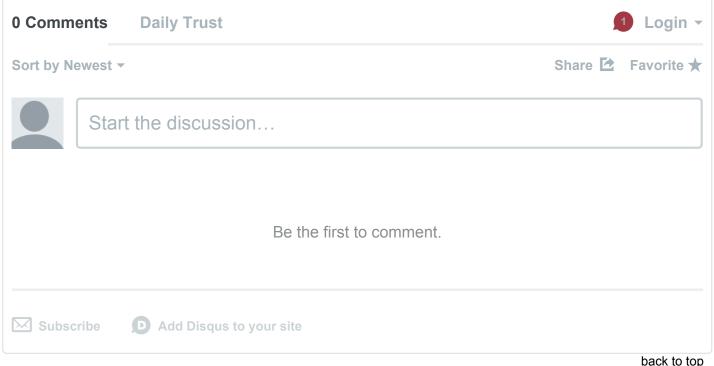
Two adults died in Maiduguri Tuesday after falling into the River Alau while fleeing after a false alarm that Boko Haram insurgents were invading the city, witnesses said.

The two reportedly fled to Maiduguri Monday from their homes in Konduga town when they saw many people from Bama and surrounding villages heading towards Maiduguri.

They ran to Maiduguri to stay with their relatives, Aminu Na'im, a resident close to the 21 Armoured Brigade said.

"Hundreds of people are staying here with us in Fouri and two died in the Alau River but their corpses were retrieved," he said. Witnesses said there were gunshots in Maiduguri yesterday, which caused panic.

On Monday, the 7 Division of the Nigerian Army reviewed the curfew imposed on Maiduguri to now begin from 7pm to 6am instead of 9pm to 6am. Credible sources said the decision was taken following security reports that the insurgents were planning to invade the state capital.



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