

SUICIDE BOMBER HITS JTF BASE, KILLS 5 IN KANO

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A suicide bomber driving an explosives-laden car yesterday hit a base of the Joint Task Force (JTF) in Kano, killing himself and five security operatives.

Weekly Trust learnt that the suicide bomber drove into the Magasirku petrol station in Hoto area of Kano metropolis around 7 pm and detonated the explosives in the car.

The JTF base is situated within the petrol station. Six people, including the suicide bomber and three policemen died on the spot. A security source said five others, including soldiers attached to the base, were injured.

It is recalled that a female suicide bomber struck at the NNPC mega station near the scene of yesterday's blast during eid-el-fitr.

After the wave of female suicide bombers that rocked the state during eid-el-fitr at the end of this year's Ramadan fast, there has been relative peace in Kano, with no major attacks before yesterday.

Kano State Police Commissioner, Adenrele T. Shinaba, confirmed the blast and the casualties and said the injured were rushed to hospital.



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