

# Female suicide bomber kills 13 in Damaturu

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**A female suicide bomber yesterday blew herself up at the Damaturu central motor park, killing 13 people and wounding 32 others, police said.**

Another blast in June last

year claimed the lives of nine football fans who were watching a match at a television viewing centre.

Police spokesman, ASP Toyin Gbadegesin, who confirmed the casualty figure, said the suicide bomber initially targeted security men on patrol at the park before detonating the bomb.

"The suicide bomber attempted to enter the security men on patrol but she was noticed and prevented. When our men prevented her from coming close to them and as they were strategizing to confront her, she pretended being a passenger and let off the IED, killing herself and eight others", Toyin said

Health workers at the General Sani Abacha Specialist Hospital in Damaturu were working to rescue the injured.

A witness, Malam Adamu, said the incident took place at about 12:45pm.

He said body parts of the bomber were gathered by angry residents and set ablaze.