

Boko Haram kill Adamawa hunters' commander

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Some hunters have joined anti-Boko Haram fight since 2014

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Residents told Daily Trust that the hunters joined the war against Boko Haram since 2014 and had been hunting down militants escaping from Sambisa forest.

A resident, Kayibo Dagou said the armed insurgents numbering about 200 ambushed the hunters near the village, killing four of them after a long battle, adding that many Boko Haram fighters also died.

Residents in the surrounding villages said they were awoken by sounds of gunshots coming from the direction of Dagou on Saturday night..

The chairman of the hunters association, Usman Tola has confirmed the incident in telephone interview with journalists yesterday saying he had sent a delegation to condole on the family of the deceased.

A female hunter, Aisha Gombi described the loss of her commander as monumental, describing Jimeta's contribution in the fight against Boko Haram as unquantifiable.