

4 dead, trucks missing in ambush - UN says

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The UN World Food Programme has confirmed that four people were killed in an ambush by Boko Haram insurgents on a military convoy escorting trucks carrying IDPs food items to Gamboru Ngala on Saturday.

The convoy came under attack near the remote village of Musuni on Gomburu highway, according to an electronic message sent to Daily Trust by World Food Program Information Officer, Maiduguri office, Adedeji Ademigbuji yesterday.

"WFP can confirm that a convoy escorted by the Nigerian military, including WFP hired trucks, was the subject of an attack by armed groups 35 kilometres southwest of Ngala. Four people, including the driver of a WFP-hired truck and a driver's assistant, were killed. WFP is working with the authorities to determine the whereabouts of the trucks," Adedeji said.

Also, a vigilante source said the heavily armed group of Boko Haram killed four drivers and took away three others together with one truck filled with food items for Ngala IDPs.

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