Female soldier kills captain in Adamawa

From Kabiru R. Anwar, Yola

A female soldier enforcing the current curfew imposed by the Adamawa State government has killed a senior colleague at a checkpoint in Yola.

Daily Trust gathered that the female soldier identified as Lance Corporal Nkiru shot a captain who tried to intervene in her altercation with civilians at Fire Service Roundabout in the state capital.

Security sources told *Daily*Trust that the female soldier had insisted that motorists returning home during the curfew hours on Tuesday evening must turn back after some of them identified themselves as workers on essential duties.

"Some people stopped at the checkpoint explained themselves as workers on essential duties but the female soldier insisted they must turn back, so a captain came forward to intervene. Unfortunately, she had already cocked her rifle, so she just fired and killed him accidentally," a security officer said. Reports indicated that the victim was rushed to the Federal Medical Centre in Yola where he was confirmed dead while the suspect was instantly arrested and whisked away by soldiers.

Our reporter learnt that the female soldier had been infamous for harassing civilians and cocking her rifle at slightest provocation.

When our correspondent visited the headquarters of 23 Armoured Brigade Yola for confirmation, the Commander, Brigadier General Muhammad Gambo sent a message that journalists must seek appointment in writing before he could speak to them.