

Lakurawa responsible for Zamfara explosion – Police

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The Zamfara State Police Command said the terror group, Lakurawa was responsible for the recent explosions that rocked two villages in Dansadau district, Maru Local Government Area (LGA) of the state.

CP Muhammad Shehu Dalijan, the state Police Commissioner, stated this during a telephone interview with our correspondent.

Confirming the explosion at Yar Tasha village along

Dansadau road, CP Dalijan said one person died while three others sustained varying degrees of injuries.

The incident, it was gathered, occurred around 8 am on Wednesday after a commercial driver conveying passengers to Dansadau town ran into an explosive device suspected to be planted by the terrorists.

Dalijan said, "Yes, there was an explosion along Dansadau road this morning and it was a bomb planted under a bridge. The motorist stepped on it and it exploded, killing one person and injuring three others."

"Preliminary investigations indicated that it was the remnant of Lakurawa terrorists that were being pressed by the soldiers to leave Nigeria that planted the explosive. The terrorists are now trying to find their way to Birnin-Gwari forest en route Zamfara State. They are facing serious pressure from the Nigerian security to leave the country.

"By the grace of God, we will get them and deal with them decisively. All we need from the public is useful information about the movement of these terrorists."

Daily Trust reports that it was the second time an explosive device was planted along Dansadau road within a week.

On Sunday, a similar explosive device was planted at Mai-Gungume village along Dansadau road, killing a commercial driver.

A resident of Yar Tasha village, who preferred not to be named, said: "We recently conducted community work on the road and the terrorists used that opportunity to plant the device at one of the spots where we filled some potholes.

"The victims were rushed to Dansadau General Hospital and nobody can ascertain whether they are dead or alive for now. Security personnel comprising soldiers and police have been deployed to the scene of the incident.

"It appears as if the terrorists in Zamfara State have developed a new strategy, especially in this Dansadau axis. This is the second time they are planting explosive devices in this area within a week."

The resident urged the government to take "decisive actions to stop this trend."