

# One Killed, Senator, 13 Journalists Escape Mob Action In Plateau Lalong, NUJ Condemn Attack

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**H**OODLUMS killed on person on Thursday during the commissioning of ICT Hub/E-Library in Namu town of Qua'an Pan Local Council of Plateau State.

But Sen. Nora Dadu'ut (Plateau South) and 13 journalists, who accompanied her to cover the event, narrowly escaped being lynched in the process.

The hoodlums burnt the Hummer bus belonging to Nigeria Union of Journalists (NUJ), the SUV and other vehicles belonging to the senator. No journalist was hurt. The journalists and the senator were held captive for more than three hours before help came.

Governor Simon Lalong and the Chairman of NUJ, Plateau

State Council, Paul Jatau, have condemned the attack, describing it as uncalled for.

Also the residence of a prominent politician in Namu town, Simon Lajan, was set ablaze.

Consequently, authorities in Qua'an Pan Local Council imposed a 24-hour curfew on Namu town, t.

Chairman of the council, Ernest Da'a, imposed the curfew until further notice to curtail security breach.

By that curfew, Da'a said citizens were expected to remain indoors until further notice, while security operatives were mandated to take charge of the town.

He advised citizens to remain law-abiding and avoid any action that would cause further breaches.