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**GUNMEN** on Saturday night killed Jamilu Bauchi, the Personal Assistant to Governor Isa Yuguda of Bauchi State, a week after the kidnap of the 11-year-old son of former Finance Commissioner Dahiru Garba.

Another aide wounded on Saturday, Sergeant Sule Giwa, is receiving treatment at the Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University of Teaching Hospital (ATBUTH). Bullets were extracted from his stomach.

Bauchi was murdered on Maiduguri Road in the city on his way to Maiduguri to

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buy horses for the first grand durbar for the new Emir of Bauchi, Rilwanu Adamu, after the Ramadan.

Giwa was attacked in the old Dass Park area on Yelwa Road at about 10 p.m. when he stopped to buy some items after he closed from work at Government House, which is about 200 metres from the scene.

Police Commissioner Danlami Yar'Adua confirmed the two incidents and said officers are on the trail of the attackers.

Yuguda's Political Affairs and Mobilisation Adviser, Abdumumuni Kundak, said Bauchi was attacked on his way to Maiduguri to buy some horses; "It was a private journey and people suspected to be armed robbers attacked their vehicle, he was shot dead."

Kundak added that Giwa too was shot on Saturday night on his way home from the Government House.

"But I don't believe the incidents have any political undertones. (Insecurity) is affecting everybody, both ordinary people and politicians alike, but the state government is on top of the situation,

"All we need from the people is co-operation to enable us get to the criminals who live among us," he pleaded.

Yuguda's Media Assistant, Sanusi Mohammed, narrated that Giwa parked his car and crossed the road, and after he bought some items and headed back to his car he was asked to stop by some unknown persons.

When Giwa refused to co-operate with them, "They shot him and fled," Mohammed added.

He expressed sadness over insecurity in the state but gave an assurance that the government is working hard with all security agencies to end the trend where hoodlums attack innocent residents.

On August 22, armed men robbed the home of Garba of valuables and when he could not give them cash, they went away with his 11-year-old son, Mahmud, whom they are still holding captive.

The following day, armed men attacked the home of Congress for Progressive Change (CPC) Governorship aspirant, Abdullahi Adamu (also known as Dan China).

They killed one security guard and wounded another.

Politicians or their aides in the state have now been attacked five times since August 9.