

Two Die, Six Injured In Jigawa Political Meeting

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DUTSE – Hon. Surajo Kantoga, representative of Birnin-kudu in the Jigawa State House of Assembly, escaped unhurt from the hands of political thugs in Birnin-kudu during the APC stakeholders’ meeting held in the area.

The meeting, which became chaotic, led to the loss of two lives, while six others sustained serious injuries.

The injured were receiving medical attention at the Federal Medical Centre, Birnin-kudu.

According to an eye-witness account, trouble started as a result of parallel meetings organised by the representative of the Council in the Jigawa House of Assembly, Hon. Surajo Kantoga, despite warnings by elders of the party a day before the scheduled stakeholders’ meeting.

During the meeting, the member was accused of coming with thugs who confronted the APC leaders in the area, and this led to the outbreak of trouble.

The constituents had complained of poor representation by Kantoga, and this was exacerbated by the alleged arrogance of APC leaders in the area.

Amongst important dignitaries attacked during the Birnin-kudu incident were the SSG, Adamu Fannani, and Jigawa Commissioner of Information, Bala Ibrahim, who described the incident as unfounded.

Stakeholders had complained that they were not being carried along in the scheme of things.

Abdu Jinjiri, the Public Relations Officer of the Jigawa State Police Command (SP), confirmed the incident but said no arrest was made although the matter was still being investigated.