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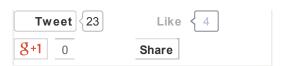
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Nine passengers were reportedly killed on the Maiduguri-Damboa highway yesterday by suspected members of Boko Haram.

According to eye witness accounts, the insurgents attacked a passenger bus and a golf car close to Bulabulin Ngaura village of Damboa local government area.

LEADERSHIP learnt that supporters of the All Progressives Congress (APC) who were

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on their way back to Biu after a political engagement in Maiduguri were forced to return to Maiduguri following the attack.

Some of them who recalled their ordeal said "The road today is not good. We had to turn back because we saw and counted nine bodies and there was nobody around there. So, we were afraid to continue our journey to Biu."

It would be recalled that there have been series of attacks along Maiduguri-Damboa-Biu road since last week with the latest on Monday when two lorries carrying oranges were attacked and the passengers abducted.

For now, there was no official confirmation on yesterday's attack from either the military or the police, but many passengers travelling to Biu had to postpone their trip to play safe.

Meanwhile, at least four people were feared killed yesterday, during an attack at Tixkan Village in Kurra Falls (Gashish District of Barkin Ladi local government area of Plateau State last night.)

LEADERSHIP investigation revealed that the four people killed were members of two different families from the area.

Mr. Mark Lipdo, coordinator of a Jos-based non-governmental organisation (NGO), Stefanus Foundation, gave the name of the deceased as Garos Bitrus ,mother; Nzang Bitrus, son; Davou Bitrus, son, and Simon Magit.

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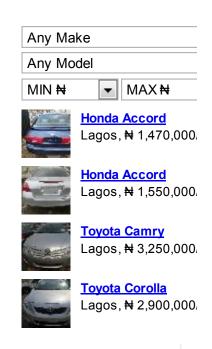
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