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A prison official was on Monday killed as suspected Boko Haram insurgents attacked the Federal Prison, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State.

No fewer than 20 sniffer dogs were also slaughtered at the prison yard located on Afao-Ekiti road during the incident.

The gunmen, numbering over 60, according to a source, came to the prison premises in Hilux trucks, wielding dangerous weapons such as cudgels, cutlasses, AK 47 rifles, dynamites and charms as the Minister of Interior, Abba Moro was on his way to the state.

The source said that the attackers were chanting 'Allahu Akbar, Akbar' as they set free some inmates during the attack.

Though, journalists were denied access into the prison yard when they came to the scene of the incident, blood stains were seen on the road leading to the prison, suggesting that some people might have been seriously wounded in the attack.

One of the inmates, who was set free during the attack, returned to the prison and told newsmen that he ran out when he heard sporadic shooting at night, but had to come back.

Addressing journalists at the gate of the prison, the Comptroller of Prison in the state, Mr. Fadipe Abolarin Kehinde, who confirmed the attack, said no casualty was recorded and that Adeniyi Adedipe, a.k.a 'Apase' was still in their custody.

A statement aired on the state-owned radio station had alleged that the action was carried out by All Progressives Congress thugs.

According to the statement, the attack was aimed to set free a murder suspect, Mr Adeniyi Adedipe, who is being remanded in the prison custody over the murder of a former chairman of National Union of Road Transport Workers (NURTW), Chief Omolafe Aderiye.

According to the Controller of Prisons, "We are moving around to assess the situation. "It was not a jail break but an attack on the prison.

"The main entrance of the prison was broken. What happened is that we were attacked from outside not from within, they came massively with different weapons, they attacked our men on duty, and we have been here since 10.30 yesterday (Sunday)."

On whether inmates were set free during the attack, Abolarin who did not give a specific figure of those who escaped said officers were already out to re-arrest those that escaped during the attack. Minister of the Interior, Mr Abba Mooro is being expected from Abuja.

"We have some that have been recaptured and kept in police cells."

Reacting, APC denied any link with the attack describing it as another ploy by the PDP to tarnish the image of the APC in Ekiti State.

The publicity secretary of the party, Chief Taiwo Olatubosun, who spoke on the telephone said "what shall we gain for doing that, we cannot do such things, it is not in our character to do such things."

Olubosun added that even the PDP and the governor will have to answer God for running a shoddy government and for their

Olatubosun added: "very soon the PDP and the governor will have to accuse God for running a clueless government and for their shortcoming."

Speaking in an interview on the telephone, Olatubosun said the government was talking from the "figment of its imagination" asking "is it the APC that is in charge of the prison or the security of the state? It is the figment of their imagination that the APC is connected with the breaking of the prison. We don't know anything about it."

The APC called on the police in the state to build a strong security around the prison saying the PDP might be planning to attack the facility with a view to killing the suspect and other inmates.

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This further cements, based on finger prints of these attacks, that Boko Haram is really PDP militia. To appear anywhere in Nigeria PDP believes their so-called political fortunes is threatened and unleash mayhem. PDP knows that the world is waking up to the bastardization of the army to do this work blatantly & in the open, so they continue to do this evil work and blame it on a phantom militia. This incident here is to introduce into our consciousness the narrative that "Boko Haram" can act anywhere in Nigeria – and yes ofcourse, for what is Boko Haram except a cover for politics by other means by those who don't want to perform public service but are hell bent on steal ing the mandate so they can continue to steal the common wealth for a few.

Ok what would they say now – that Boko Haram is trying to establish Sharia in Ekiti State? Or want to turn Ado Ekiti into Islamic City of Ekiti? And how are they able to mobilize from Sambisa forest in the North East crossing all the state of emergency posts to get to Ekiti in the deep South with ammunitions? These PDP-led government hides in plain sight to carry out evil against a people they claim they are serving...who needs a government if what it does is harm it's people. May God save Nigeria & Nigerians from this evil monster being led by Goodluck Ebele Azikiwe Jonathan, aided & abetted and given religious cover by a CAN-turned Nigerian version of Ku Klux Klan under the leadership of Ayo Oritsejafor with warlords foot soldiers by Tompolo and Asari-Dokubo.

They plan and God plan – God is the best of planners. God will frustrate their plan and snuff out their evil while saving Nigerians. Amen



Newlight

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You and your Islamic party, friends and BH will soon know that Nigerians are not dull like you think. What can anyone expect on this knowing that you are a Muslim as revealed in ur last n 2nd to the last paragraph. Soon, when ur doom comes we shall all c. Shall we say you have forgotten who said he will make the country ungovernable or threatened to float a parallel government or fights peace after a major failure. You people want war and Nigeria is warming up ready to waste these ill fated wasters.. We don't need to be told that it bears the foot print of the APC.

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