

Scores Killed In Foiled Boko Haram Attack

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Scores of boko haram terrorists including civilians were yesterday killed when heavily armed boko haram fighters around 11: 20pm attempted to infiltrate into Maiduguri through the newly constructed customs House where IDPs from Mafa are being camped but were repelled by troops and civilian JTF members.

According to Zanna Lawan, the

district head of Anadua in Mafa local government area, scores of civilians including all the boko haram fighters that carried out the attack were killed in the encounter.

"Boko haram fighters tried to storm Maiduguri but were defeated by our gallant troops. They tried to storm yerwa (Maiduguri metropolis) through the newly constructed customs House where IDPs from Ajiri and Anadua in

Mafa local government area are being kept.

"All the dreaded boko haram members were killed by our gallant soldiers including many suicide bombers that accompanied them.

"However, many civilians lost their lives as many also got serious injuries. As I am talking, security agencies and ambulances could be seen conveying those affected from Muna-customs camp to the hospital.

Confirming the attack, the

Borno state Police public relations officer, DSP Victor Isuku said the incident occurred around 238hrs yesterday.

"The resulting explosions razed down over 13 pick-up trucks loaded with goods along Mafa-Maiduguri road awaiting departure to Gamboru Ngala yesterday. EOD of Police has been deployed to restore safety and normalcy there," DSP Victor Isuku said.

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