

Gunmen kill lawmaker in Kano, 10 others in Zamfara

A member of the Kano State House of Assembly, representing Gaya constituency, on the platform of the All Nigeria Peoples Party (ANPP), on Friday, in Kano, shot dead by unknown gunmen.

The lawmaker, Danladi Isa Kadiri was said to have been shot dead by unknown gunmen at the Ring road area, Hotoro quarters at about 6.30 pm.

Sources said that Kadiri, who was the former ALGON chairman, was believed to have been trailed by two gunmen riding on a motorbike.

Eyewitnesses said the gunmen opened fire on the lawmaker from close range, killing him instantly, and escaped from the scene.

The slain Kadiri was the former chairman of Gaya Local Government Area before his election to the State House of Assembly in 2011.

He was an active member of the state House of Assembly, where he opposed a Bill that any one with a chieftaincy title should not be allowed to hold an elective office.

The State Commissioner of Police, Ibrahim Idris, who confirmed the incident, said he had earlier warned lawmakers in the state to desist from relaxing at popular spots, pointing out that a lawmaker in the state was recently shot dead by unknown gunmen in a similar circumstance.

Also, another set of unidentified gunmen riding on motorcycles on Friday shot dead 10 members of the local vigilante group in an attack on Rukudawa village in Zurmi Local Government Area of Zamfara State.

The Chairman of the local government, Alhaji Abdullahi Gurbin-Baure made this revelation on Friday in an interview with the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) in Zurmi.

Gurbin-Baure said that the killers came on motorcycles through the Dumburum/Rukudawa road and attacked members of the vigilante killing all the 10 persons on duty.

The chairman said that the killers also removed the private parts of some of their victims and burnt all the motorcycles used by the members of the vigilante.

He said that he had already reported the matter to the state police headquarters and to the state government.

According to the chairman, the Deputy Governor of the state, Malam Ibrahim Wakkala attended the burial of the deceased.

Malam Musa Lawali, who claimed to have witnessed the incident, said that the gunmen came with a specific purpose of killing members of the vigilante

■ **Kolade ADEYEMI, Kano** ■ group.

He said that this was because the gunmen did not attack any of the traders at the market.

Lawali, who was also a trader attending the Dumburum weekly market, said that the gunmen went straight to the members of the vigilante, who were on their routine patrol

providing security to traders.

Commissioner of Police, Mr Usman Gwary said that the incident had been reported to the command.

He said he was on his way to the local government area, adding that he could not give further details as investigations had just commenced on the killings.



■ L-R Otunba Titi Laoye Tomori the Deputy Governor of the State of Osun, Mr Jeffery Hawkins, the United States Consular General and Senator Babajide Omowore at a reception dinner Organised for the consular at Ile-Ife recently

Kogi youths slam PDP elders, s failed politicians

More reactions have continued to trail the comments against Kogi State governor, Idris Wada by some PDP elders. Youths in the state, under the umbrella of United PDP Youth, condemned the actions of the elders, saying their comments are questionable and should be disregarded.

The organisation also insisted that the allegations against Governor Idris Wada were baseless and coming from people they described as impostors.

Addressing a press

■ **Muhammad BASHIR, Lokoja**

conference in Anyigba, Dekina LGA of Kogi State, the state leader of the group, Noah Ishiaka, noted that the elders have at one time or the other left the party or have suspended, and that they are not in a position to talk on matters affecting the party or its government.

In a letter to the National Chairman of PDP, Alhaji

Bamanga Turku, a copy of which was made available to The Nation, the youths said the allegations by the elders should be disregarded due to its emptiness and lack of substance.

The group noted that the elders have not in any way contributed to the development of either the state or the nation despite their positions.

The youths said those masquerading as elders worked tirelessly to deprive

NLC issues ultimatum

The Nigeria Labour Congress (NLC) has said that it would go on a national strike by December 20, if the industrial crisis in Plateau State was not resolved.

The labour appealed to well-meaning Nigerians to intervene, and urged President Goodluck Jonathan to call Governor Jonah Jang to order, to avoid a complete breakdown of industrial relationships in the state.

NLC President, Comrade Abdulwahed Omar made the pronouncement at the end of the Central Working Committee (CWC)

■ **John OFIKHENUA, Abuja** ■

of the congress, where he lamented the plight of workers in the state.

He condemned the actions of some local government chairmen who employ force to arrest the leaders of the local councils unions. He said the governor was insensitive to the plight of the people of the state by travelling abroad, while his state was in turmoil.

He said: "The CWC noted that despite the fact that the armed forces and police have started using

live bullets on innocent workers decided to go abroad, which shows not care about what is happening in the state. We call on the government to show that it cares about the people of the state. We call on the government to call the governor to order in the interim, that if by the resolution on the