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Boko Haram kills cleric, 10 others in Gombe

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GUNMEN suspected to be Boko Haram insurgents attacked Gombe State town Nafada, a town 150 kilometres from capital Gombe yesterday.

No fewer than 10 people were believed to have been killed after the gunmen who rode into the town on about 50 motorcycles, sacked the police station, the local government secretariat and the headquarters of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP).

Last weekend, there was an attack at the main bus park in Gombe, during the rush hour in the morning. Many

people were killed.

Sources from Nafada told reporters on the telephone that the attackers rode furiously into the town through the Gombe - Potiskum road. They reportedly fired at soldiers at checkpoint at the town's entrance.

"They went straight to the police station and opened fire on men on duty. From there, they went to the PDP and the local government secretariats. They fired indiscriminately at both places," a

source said, adding that the assailants proceeded to the residence of Sheikh Adamu Misira. They killed him and no fewer than 10 others.

The source could not ascertain how many security agents were killed at the check point.

"I cannot tell how any soldiers died, but one of them spoke to me on telephone, saying he escaped but did not comment on the casualty."

The source said the insurgents told people not to panic or run away.

"They told us that nobody should run; everybody

should stay put and nobody should leave his house and that if we heard of the arrival of security operatives, we should just go, lock ourselves indoors and leave us with them," the source said.

He added that as at 5pm, security agents had not shown up in the town. But police sources said reinforcements were being sent.

Police spokesman Atajiri Fwaje said: "You can call later for details. We just sent our team there. They are on their way and I don't want to give you inaccurate information."

Loss of my hometown to Boko Haram no big deal