

Female suicide bomber kills 10 in Yobe

THE Yobe State Police Command has said 10 people were killed when a female suicide bomber detonated an explosive at the Damaturu Central Motor Park in the state capital.

The police also said 31 others were injured in the incident.

The motor park is located near a divisional po-

From Duku Joel, Damaturu

lice station, which was razed on January 9 by the Boko Haram insurgents.

Police spokesman, Toyin Gbadegesin, an Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP), said the suicide bomber had made several failed attempts to bomb the military outfit at the park before she

boarded a half-loaded car and blew up herself.

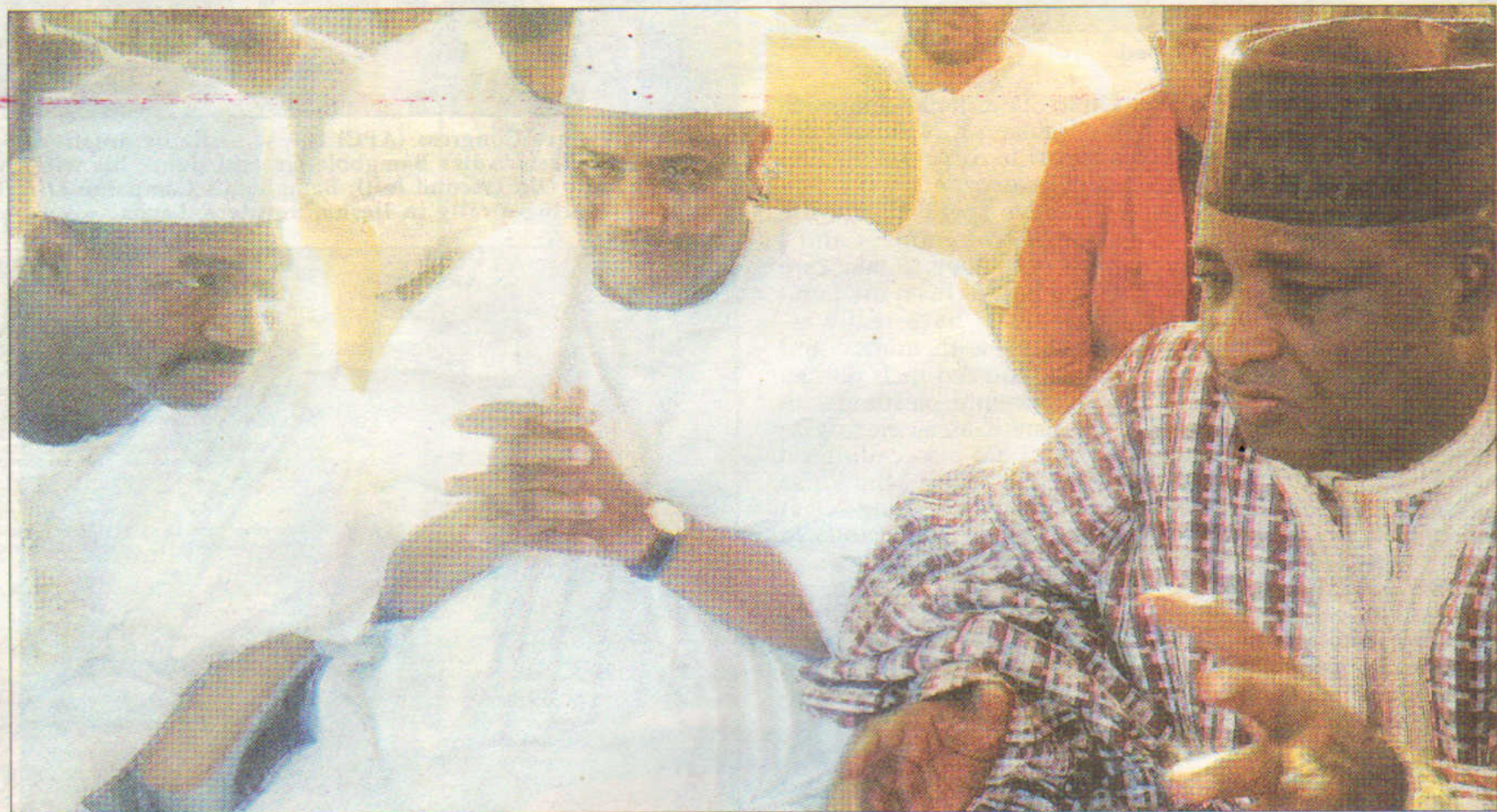
The 10 people died on the spot.

Gbadegesin said: "At 12.10 hours, an *hijab*-wearing female suicide bomber came into the park and went to the security vehicle. She was turned away after her movement aroused suspicion. She then went to a commercial

vehicle; the car was half-loaded, and the bomb exploded.

"Ten people died; 31 others were critically injured and are at the Sani Abacha Hospital in Damaturu. We have condoned off the area. Investigation is ongoing."

The police spokesman added that the suicide bomber was about 21 years old.



•From right: Sokoto State Governor Aliyu Wamakko; All Progressives Congress (APC) governorship candidate, Aminu Tambuwal and his running mate, Ahmed Aliyu, at the party's rally in Dangen Shuni Loca Government Area...yesterday PHOTO: NAN