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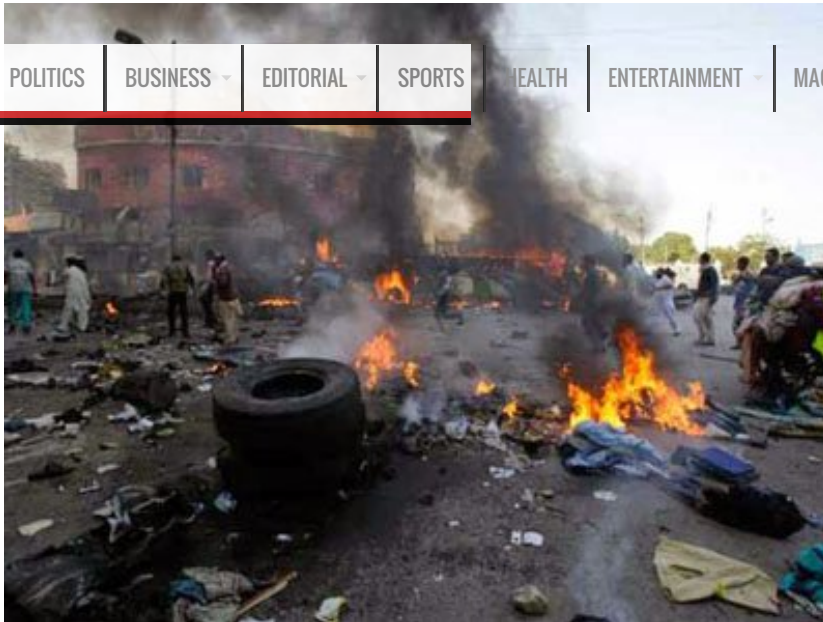
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## Bombers strike in Borno

Posted by: Joel Duku, Maiduguri in Featured, News ⌚ 10 hours ago

**Suicide bombers struck yesterday in beleaguered Maiduguri, the Borno State capital.**

**The two suicide bombers blew themselves up near a hospital 10 kilometres away from the camp where Vice President Yemi Osinbajo sympathised with the over one million victims of the Boko Haram insurgency.**

He pledged the Federal Government's support for them.

**Apart from the bombers who died, the explosions injured two people. It happened at about 11.30 a.m. near the gates of the Molai Leprosy/General Hospital.**

Suicide bombers killed three people and injured 16 last Saturday.

"The second blast occurred two minutes after the first one, killed the bomber and injured two other people nearby," said Mohammed Haruna, who helped to evacuate people from the scene yesterday.

Sources said the two bombers blew each other off before entering the hospital. The thunderous sounds of the blast threw residents, patients and hospital workers into confusion.

Eye witnesses said the first suicide bomber detonated his explosives, injuring two passersby. The other, who was riding on a bicycle, accidentally detonated his explosives at the back of the hospital before getting to the fence. He died without killing or injuring anybody.

A security source said the suicide bombers were suspected to have sneaked into Maiduguri from the Sambisa forest.

After visiting the IDPs, the Vice President said the Federal Government's priority is to resettle the over one million displaced by the insurgency in Borno State.

Osinbajo said: "I am particularly here to visit the IDPs, the victims of the Boko Haram insurgency in the hospitals, IDPs at the camps, access the situation they are into or on ground, particularly the condition of the IDPs and the role the state and federal government have played in the maintenance and security or

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safety of the displaced persons and other citizens of the state.

"The next thing the Federal Government will do immediately is to resettle the over one million internally displaced persons (IDPs) in Borno State."

Osinbajo praised the state government and the National Emergency Management Agency(NEMA) after his visit at the hospital and the IDPs camps.

"The Borno State government has done well and the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) has excellently done a good job in providing welfare to the IDPs and security as well," Osinbajo said.

He said President Muhammadu Buhari would fulfill his promise to assist the IDPs to kick- start a new life, stressing that "what is uppermost before the Federal Government now is to see that the I DPs are returned to their various communities, but we have to ensure that in their communities, houses, schools, health centres and all the government functionaries or structures are rehabilitated, reconstructed, rebuilt, conducive and safe for their return as security has to be also adequately provided."

At the palace of the Shehu of Borno, the vice president told His Royal Majesty Alhaji Abubakar Garbai Ibn Umar El Kanemi, that his visit would afford the Federal Government the opportunity to know what facilities and materials are required and how much it will cost to rebuild all the structures destroyed by the insurgent in the 22 local governments ravaged by the crisis.

The Shehu urged Buhari to redeem his pledge to rebuild all the communities and provide jobs to the teeming youths, more especially into the military and para military outfits.

He praised Buhari and Osinbajo for their concern for the IDPs.

Osinbajo visited also IDPs at the Federal Training Centre, Dalori Camp on the outskirts of Maiduguri.

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My condolences to those who lost their lives Northern elders should assist PMB bring BK men to table of dialogue no matter their their demands at least you start somewhere during militancy the late YARUADUA leveraged from the effort of southern governors and elders hsd done we can't continue living in denials

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