



Insurgents kill 24 mourners in Yobe

INSURGENTS in Yobe State have killed more than 24 villagers, who were on their way to bury victims of a previous Boko Haram attack.

The attack, which occurred in Geidam Local Government, is believed to be a reprisal by the insurgent group.

Initially, the insurgents targeted the village, setting it ablaze and killing four persons, including the village head of Nguro Kayayya. Subsequently, they planted an Improvised Explosive Device (IED), resulting in the deaths of over 20 villagers, who were travelling on an improvised tricycle called 'Jega' for a con-

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dolence visit the following day. Only two persons survived the IED attack and were taken to hospital.

Police spokesman ASP Dungus Abdulkarim confirmed the incident, but did not provide further details.

Governor Mai Mala Buni yesterday held an emergency security meeting to address the resurgence of Boko Haram attacks in certain parts of the state.

Security Adviser to the Governor, Brig.-Gen. Dahiru Abdulsalam (Rtd), said the recent military operations in neighbouring Borno State had forced the insurgents to resort to targeting soft targets.

The Director, Defence Media Operations, Maj.-Gen. Edward Buba, didn't respond to the calls put across to his mobile line.

However, a senior officer at the military headquarters confirmed to The Nation that the incident happened at Ngurukayaya in Geidam Local Government.

Two remanded for allegedly shooting Customs officers