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POLICE CONFIRM 3 DEAD IN NIGER LG POLLS

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THREE people have been confirmed dead by the police in Niger state following the violence that erupted during the Saturday local government election in the state.

The state Commissioner of Police, Alhaji Ibrahim Maishanu confirmed this yesterday in Minna.

Confirming this yesterday, Niger state Commissioner of Police, Ibrahim Maishanu said that the three people were killed in Kontagora, Rijau and Wushishi local government areas due in a violence that occurred during the conduct of the council polls in the areas.

He said that though some

arrests have been made, the number of people arrested will be announced soon.

It was also gathered that no less than ten people who sustained injuries during and after the elections crisis reliving treatment in the hospitals.

In Gawu-Babangida, Gurara local government area of the state, four persons sustained severe injuries from gun shots and machete cut following attack on them on Saturday night. The attack was allegedly carried out by aide to a former council chairman. The victims are at the town cottage hospital.

Investigations also showed

that three people each were also injured in Wushishi and Rijau, while attempt to get the number of casualty taken to Kontagora General Hospital was not successful. As newsmen were barred from entering the wards by the hospital management.

The Paiko Divisional Police in Paikoro local government area disclosed that it intercepted two Toyota cars stuffed with electoral materials and dangerous weapons while over 22 party supporters were also arrested when conveying the items which they could not give satisfactory explanations to its destinations.