

# ISWAP's overnight attack sparks fear in Borno community

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**A** predawn assault by suspected Islamic State of West African Province (ISWAP) insurgents has started causing fears among residents of Geidam town, Borno State.

Sunday Tribune gathered that the attack, which took place early Saturday morning, left one person dead and a trail of destruction in its wake.

Sources confirmed to Sun-

day Tribune that the incident occurred around 3:30 a.m. when the insurgents stormed the town, launching explosives indiscriminately. The attack caused panic among locals, as the insurgents targeted both public and private properties.

Among the damages, two vehicles belonging to customs officials were said to have been set ablaze. In a further act of violence, the attackers desecrated the grave of Khalifah Ayiloma,

located in Kolori Ward, a move that has deeply unsettled the community.

The insurgents also attacked the home of Dahiru Muhammadu, a 60-year-old night watchman living near Geidam Polytechnic. Muhammadu, who was on duty at the time, sustained a gunshot wound to his neck. Despite being rushed to Geidam Specialist Hospital, he was later confirmed dead, marking another tragic loss for the town.

It was further gathered

that the assault has reignited fears about the growing insecurity in Borno State, with residents expressing their frustration at the escalating violence.

Many are calling for enhanced security measures to prevent further attacks and restore calm in the region.

While the immediate aftermath of the attack continues to unfold, local authorities are working to assess the full extent of the damage and the potential threat of further assaults.