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30 killed as B'Haram bombs Nigeria-Cameroon bridge

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**Boko Haram**

Suspected Boko Haram insurgents on Thursday bombed one of the bridges linking Nigeria with Cameroon killing 30 people in the process.

The bombing occurred on the outskirts of Gamboru Ngala, a village where over 300 people were killed by suspected Boko Haram members on Monday.

At least 30 people were killed during the bombing, sources told SaharaReporters.

The bridge links the immigration checkpoints of both Cameroon and Nigeria.

The bombing, it was learnt, took place while the villagers were conducting a mass burial for their relations who were killed on Monday in Gamboru Ngala.

Sources told SaharaReporters that 315 people of the 336 who died in the Monday attack were buried in a solemn ceremony led by religious leaders.

This, according to the residents of the town, who called journalists on the telephone in Maiduguri, had made it difficult for them to flee into Nigeria and left some of them with no other choice than to take refuge in Cameroon.

The only option left for people travelling to and from Gamboru according to the source, is to go to Banki near Bama Local Government Area of Borno State to Cameroon and re-enter Gamboru from another Cameroonian village.

Malam Kolomi, a trader in Gamboru, who spoke on the phone with journalists, said, "We have buried dozens of people in mass graves between Wednesday and Thursday. We put 10 bodies in each grave."

Another resident of Gamboru, Mamman Abu, who was reached on the phone, said, "I believe some people are still trapped in some debris. The only bridge that links Gamboru from the other side of Borno has been destroyed. We are in trouble."

Though, Boko Haram has not claimed responsibility for this latest bombing attack, residents of Gamboru Ngala told our correspondent that there was a deep suspicion that the Islamist group was behind the attack.

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