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Four female suicide bombers die in Adamawa

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Four female suicide bombers lost their lives during a bomb blast in Madagali, Adamawa State, on Friday.

The blast, which occurred a few miles from a crowded motor park and resulted in multiple explosions, happened around 8:30am, the military said.

Public Relations Officer of the 228 Military Taskforce, Mubi, Adamawa State, Major Fadare Akintoye, who gave details of the incident, said three of the female suicide bombers detonated themselves as soon as they were discovered by some persons at the park while the fourth was killed by the military, which set off the fourth explosion.

Speaking on the casualty figure, Akintoye said two locals hit by shrapnels of the explosion also died while several others equally sustained injuries.

He revealed that several of the injured were taken to Michika General Hospital for treatment while six others treated by military personnel, had returned home.

Meanwhile, the United States Government on Friday disclosed that it had gone into a partnership with the Federal Government to re-establish civil authorities in parts of the North-East ravaged by the Boko Haram insurgency.

Speaking during the presentation of eight general purpose modular tents to the Nigerian Police in Maiduguri, Borno State, the Director, U.S. International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Nigeria, Rosalyn Wiese, stated, "The United States is partnering with the Government of Nigeria to support efforts to deploy additional civilian security, particularly police to North-East Nigeria.

“We understand there are many areas that were ravaged by Boko Haram and many government buildings including police stations and barracks are still being rebuilt.

“We applaud Borno State and the Federal Government for prioritising reconstruction and increasing police presence in the areas that have been returned to government control. In these areas, it is crucial that there be a successful transition to community-oriented policing that focuses on working closely with all members of the community to build trust, establish relationships, and improve communication.

“We are also working with the NPF to improve training and **EQUIPMENT**  for police in the North-East. As one part of this programme, we aim to ensure that human rights and gender sensitive training is provided to police elements who will be interacting with vulnerable populations.”

The Inspector General of Police, Ibrahim Idris, thanked the United States Government and promised that the tents would be judiciously put to use and well maintained.



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