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Military kills three during Buhari victory celebration

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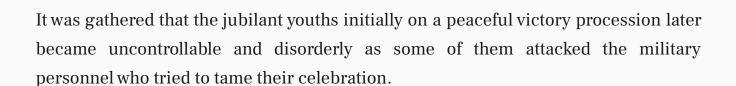
Nigerian soldiers File photo

Hindi Livinus, Yola

Some soldiers in Yola have killed three persons who were reportedly celebrating the electoral victory of President Muhammadu Buhari on Wednesday in the Numan Local Government Area of Adamawa State.

The youth, who woke up to news of the re-election of Buhari for another term, poured out into the streets of major towns in the state.

However, it is the celebration in the Numan town that went bloody.



The soldiers had allegedly fired warning shots into the air to warn the crowd which started advancing towards them while hurling stones.

The soldiers were said to have fired shots again, which allegedly hit some persons. Three persons were reportedly hit, while their corpses were later deposited by the soldiers in the mortuary of Numan General Hospital.

In another part of the state around Jippu Jam roundabout in Yola, some young people who joined in celebrating Buhari's victory at the polls also reportedly put up a mock 'coffin' of Atiku, suggesting his defeat at the polls.

The police in Yola said they were aware of the clash between the soldiers and youths in the Numan area.

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The state Police Public Relations Officer, Othman Abubakar, added that the command had, however, yet to get any report.

He said, "There are many reports; but policemen on the ground told us that there were persons that were injured; I cannot confirm any death."

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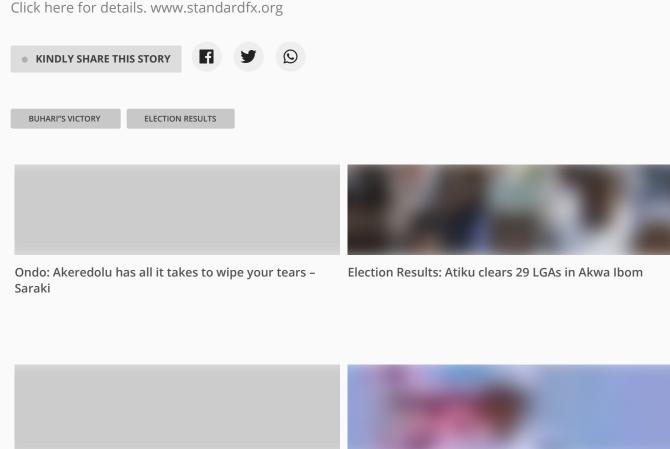


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