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Two female suicide bombers, two others killed in Borno

Kayode Idowu, Maiduguri

Four people died in a suicide attack in Muna Galti on the outskirts of Maiduguri, police in Borno State have confirmed.

Spokesman for the force in the state, ASP Okon Edet, said in a statement on Friday the incident took place around 7.45pm on Thursday.

He said, "Two female suicide bombers who attempted to infiltrate a crowd at Muna Galti, Jere Local Government Area, on sighting officers hurriedly detonated their improvised explosive devices, killing themselves and two other people."

"Five people who were injured were rushed to the University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital where they are receiving treatment."

Okon said they cordoned off the scene of the incident and "immediately mobilised the

Explosive Ordnance Disposal team to the scene alongside SARS, PMF and CTU to prevent further attacks".

He said they had restored calm in the area, adding that the state Commissioner of Police, Mohammed Aliyu, had urged

residents not to panic but to go about their lawful business without fear or apprehension.

According to Okon, the CP also advised residents to always be security-conscious and report suspicious movement to the police or other security agencies.

Court reinstates perm secs sacked by Wike

Daniels Igoni, Yenagoa

The National Industrial Court sitting in Yenagoa, Bayelsa State, on Friday declared that the sacking of 14 Permanent Secretaries in 2015 by the Rivers State Governor, Mr Nyesom Wike, was unconstitutional.

The court therefore reinstated the affected senior civil servants.

Delivering judgement on the case filed by the aggrieved permanent secretaries, the presiding judge, Bashir Alkali, said the action of the governor

was ultra vires and null and void.

Wike had removed the senior civil servants in November 2015 via a statement issued by his administration.

Irked by the governor's action, the permanent secretaries dragged the state government to the INC praying the court to declare their removal from office as illegal and unconstitutional.

In granting their prayers, Alkali, held that the governor overstepped his constitutional bounds by treating the civil servants as if they were his political appointees.

Among other reliefs, the claimants also prayed the court to make orders setting aside their compulsory retirements.

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