Three Shi'ites killed by police in Kaduna, alleges IMN

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The Islamic Movement in Nigeria, otherwise known as Shi'ites, has alleged that three of its members were gunned down by the police in Kaduna State.

It claimed on Sunday that the killing happened on Saturday evening when the Islamic group clashed with security agents during its Ashura mourning session in the state.

The President, Media Forum of the IMN, Ibrahim Musa, alleged that a combined team of armed police and thugs attacked the Shi'ite members.

Musa also claimed in a statement that vehicles of those who attended the mourning were vandalised, while a police vehicle caught fire after it fell into a gutter, resulting

in the burning of a house close to it.

He said, "A team of policemen attacked a gathering of members of the Islamic

Movement in Nigeria holding the annual Ashura mourning commemorating the brutal

assassination of Imam Husein, the grandson of Prophet Muhammad and killed three

persons.

"Those killed are Abubakar Talle, Ali Rigasa, and an unnamed person, with many

people injured by gunshots."

The Kaduna State Police Command could not be reached for comments.

The mobile phone of the command's spokesman, ASP Mohammed Jalige, rang out

and he did not respond to a text message sent to his phone.

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