

Two die, three others injured in Kano building collapse

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T least two persons
were reportedly killed
when an uncompleted
building collapsed in
Hotoro, Tauroumi Local
Government Area of Kano
State.

The deceased, identified as Ali, 28; and Abdulganiyu, 23; were said to be asleep in the one-storey building, popularly known as Hotoro Unguwar Gabas, behind Chula filling station, when it collapsed on Friday night.

A source in the area told our correspondent that the victims and three other persons who sustained lifethreatening injuries were students of a Quranic school (Makarantar Allo) who made the uncompleted building their temporary abode.

"That night, two out of the five students died while the remaining three are critically ill," the source added.

Some residents, while mourning the victims, decried the low-quality materials deployed by the property owner for the building construction.

The Police Public Relations Officer, SP Abdullahi Kiyawa, who confirmed the incident, said the five students were sleeping in the building when it collapsed.

He said Ali and Abdulganiyu died on the spot and had been buried according to Islamic rites. The PPRO added that the injured persons were taken to the Murtala Muhammed Specialist Hospital where they would be treated and discharged.

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JAMES ABRAHAM

USPECTED
terrorists on Saturday
abducted the wife
and daughter of Plateau
State Commissioner for
Environment, Usman
Bamaiyi,

The gunmen were said to have invaded Bamaiyi's residence located in the Gindiri community, in the Mangu Local Government Area of the state at about 2am.

A source said the commissioner, who is also seeking to represent Mangu/Bokkos Federal Constituency in the National Assembly, was at home when the gunmen broke into his home and carried out the attack.

A resident of Gindiri, who confirmed the attack to our correspondent in Jos, said, "Some heavily armed men came to Gindiri last night (Friday) at about 2am. They went straight to the house of the Commissioner for Environment. The sound of gunshots fired by the