

UPDATED: Female suicide bomber kills 12, injures 18 in Borno – Police

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Map of Borno State

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The Borno State Police Command has confirmed that 12 people died while 18 sustained injuries when a female suicide bomber detonated an explosive in a fish market located in Konduga Local Government Area of the state.

A statement signed by the Spokesperson of the state Police Public Relations Officer, ASP Nahum Daso, on Saturday, said the incident occurred at a fish market located in the area.

PUNCH Online had reported that over 10 people died in a food joint, which locals said it's located in the fish market area

The statement reads, "A suicide bomb attack occurred on Friday, 20th June, 2025, at about 2130hrs, at fish market area in Konduga town, Borno State where a female suicide bomber, who had an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) strapped to her body, infiltrated a crowd of unsuspecting civilians and detonated the device, resulting in the unfortunate loss of lives and multiple injuries"

"As of 1300HRs of 21st June, 2025: 12 dead, 18 seriously injured."

According to him, a joint response team comprising personnel of the Nigeria Police Force, the Military, EOD-CBRN Unit, and other security agencies were swiftly mobilised to the scene to forestall further attacks and manage the emergency

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"Upon receipt of the distress call, a joint response team comprising personnel of the Nigeria Police Force, Military, EOD-CBRN Unit, and other security agencies swiftly mobilized to the scene to forestall further attacks and manage the emergency, the injured victims have been taken to hospital for medical treatment while sensitization on Explosive Risk Ordnance are ongoing."

He expressed the police's condolences to the family of the victims while urging the public to remain calm and law-abiding.

"The Commissioner of Police, Borno State Command, CP Naziru Abdulmajid, psc, extends his heartfelt condolences to the families of the deceased and all those affected by this heinous act.

"He also assures the public of the command's unrelenting effort to ensure normalcy is fully restored in the area.

"The CP urges members of the public to remain calm, vigilant, and security conscious, and to promptly report any suspicious movement or activity to the nearest security agency", he said.

He added that updates will be communicated as the investigations progress.