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**Gunmen** late Sunday shot dead state security service officer in front of his house in the northeastern city of Damaturu, capital of Yobe State, Nigeria, AFP reports. \_\_\_\_\_

The police confirmed the shooting, but said they were not sure if he was killed.

Mamman Shettima was “sitting outside his house with some

friends this evening (yesterday) when two **gunmen** came through the back street in Jeri district of the town and opened fire on him and killed him,” said a resident.

Yobe police boss, Lawan Tanko, who confirmed the shooting to AFP, said he was unsure if the victim had died.

“I received the report of the gun attack on the state security service officer in Jeri. He was shot by two **gunmen** outside his house. It is still not clear if he was just injured or that he was actually killed,” said Tanko.

The attackers detonated some explosives to create panic and pave the way for their escape, he said.

The victim’s friends ran away during the attack, the resident said.

On 16 January, an unidentified gunman shot dead three Chadian nationals in Damaturu near the Chadian border.

Damaturu has been hit hard by violence blamed on the Islamist group Boko Haram.

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