

17 killed in Kano twin suicide bomb blasts

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ABOUT 17 people were killed in Kano yesterday following twin bomb blasts executed by two Hijab-wearing female sui-

cide bombers, it was learnt.

About 56 others were injured from the blast and were rushed to Murtala Muhammed Specialist Hospital while 46 were taken to Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital, according

to witnesses. Another 17 injured people were attended to at Abdullahi Wase Hospital.

Kano State Police Commissioner, Alhaji Muhammad Musa Katsina, who briefed newsmen, however, said the bomb killed only three people and only eight others critically injured.

Katsina said one of the bombs went off inside the market while the other was detonated outside the market by the other female bomber. Both bombs were believed to have gone off simultaneously.

Eyewitness, however, told *Daily Sun* that the two female suicide bombers were dropped off the busy GSM market by

commercial Sharon vehicle.

Alhaji Ibrahim Usman, a trader in the market, told *Daily Sun* at the scene that when the blast went off, he saw several persons down as a result of the blast. "The noise of the blast was unbelievably loud. You could hear the huge sound go up in the sky and shook the market," he stated.

"Several people were screaming at the same time, they were shouting hysterically, asking for their relatives and friends, some of whom had been injured or were already dead. But, we stood afar and watched. My brother the thing is not good," he stated in Hausa.

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