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## Kajuru attack: Death toll rises to 32

From **Noah Ebije**, Kaduna

**FOLLOWING** attack suspected terrorists, penultimate Sunday, on communities of Ungwan Gamu, Dogon Noma, Ungwan Sarki and Maikori villages, near Maro in Kajuru Local Government Area of Kaduna State, the death toll, yesterday, rose to 32.

Earlier reports on Sunday said 25 people were killed by terrorists who stormed the communities in broad daylight.

However, a statement, yesterday, by the National President of Adara Development Association (ADA), Mr. Awemi Dio Maisamari, said: "The death toll this morning (Wednesday) is 32 as villagers comb surrounding bushes for more corpses. Seven corpses were found this morning in varying degrees of decomposition.

"The attack started around 12noon and lasted until around 6pm unchallenged by the state. It was carried out by terrorists mounted on 150 motorcycles carrying three AK47 wielding persons each.

"When the armed killers were carrying out the killings

around 3pm, the villagers mobilised to repel the attackers at Maikori village. The valiant natives, who came out in large numbers from neighbouring

villages, were already driving back the invaders and taking control of the situation when a helicopter appeared.

"To the horror of the na-

tives, the white painted helicopter, faced the brave natives, instead, and started gunning the youths from the air, clearly leaving out the killers who

can be distinctly identified by the mode of dressings and from their positions. There was no way that poorly armed farmers using crude weapons

could face the combined fire strength of better armed terrorists and a gun mounted helicopter.

"With no other options, the Adara youths had to scamper for safety. This enabled the attackers to burn down the whole village. The covering fire of the helicopter also enabled the attackers to escape unhurt. As a result of the attack, 25 people, mostly men, were killed (16 men, five women, and four children).

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## Security: Keke, okada riders regulate operations in Enugu

**IN** their determined efforts to assist the Enugu State government and security agencies to decisively address the security challenges in Igbo-Eze North and Igbo-Eze South Local Government Areas of the State, the Tricycle (Keke) and Motorcycle (Okada) Riders Associations in the two council areas have resolved that their members should stop operating from 6pm to 6am daily, in the affected two LGAs.

The two associations also directed all Keke and Okada operators to withdraw their services in Aguije and Iyionu communities in Igbo Eze North LGA till further notice.

The resolutions were taken during an emergency meeting of the Executives and Members of Keke and Okada riders associations in Igbo-Eze North and Igbo-Eze South LGAs, yesterday.

The decisions were disclosed in a statement jointly signed by the Enugu State Chairman of Association of Tricycle Riders, Comrade Benjamin Ikah, and the four Chairmen of Tricycle Riders

and Motorcycle Associations in Igbo-Eze North and Igbo-Eze South LGAs, Comrade Solomon Ejiofor Ali, Izuchukwu Onah, Samuel Eze and Fidelis Onah, respectively.

The associations requested

all the security agencies in the state "to enforce these resolutions" and went further to enjoin their members in the affected LGAs and communities to comply strictly with the resolutions, forthwith.

## Marwa seeks drug tests for youth corps members

By **Emma Njoku**

**AS** part of the war against drug abuse, the Chairman/Chief Executive of the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA), Brig. Gen. Mohamed Buba Marwa (ret'd), has called for a mandatory drug test for youth corps members as they report for national service at the various orientation camps across the country.

Marwa made the call when he hosted the Director General of the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC), Brig.

Gen. Mohammed Fadah, who led his management team on a courtesy visit to the NDLEA headquarters, in Abuja, yesterday.

In a statement by the agency's Director, Media and Advocacy, Mr. Femi Babafemi, yesterday, the NDLEA chief painted a picture of Nigeria's drug problem with facts and figures from the 2018 national drug survey, while calling for collective efforts to change the narrative.

Marwa said: "There is a need for drug tests for our youth corps members as

they report at the orientation camps.

Once they know there'll be

drug tests at the camps, they will abstain from it.

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All former documents remain valid.

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