

Gunmen kill lawmaker in Gombe

● One killed, six injured in Gov Dankwambo's convoy auto crash

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○ **GOMBE**—BARELY two weeks after a member of Gombe State House of Assembly was kidnapped, the Minority Leader of the House, Mr Abdulwahid Waziri Doho, was Wednesday shot dead by unknown gunmen.

In another development, one person was said to have been killed, while about six others were seriously injured when the convoy of Gombe State Governor, Ibrahim Dankwambo, was involved in a fatal crash along Gombe-Yola highway.

Vanguard investigations revealed that the lawmaker, who was the House Committee Chairman on Public Accounts, was murdered by the gunmen who stormed his house at Tudun Wada area of the metropolis at about 8:30 pm. Until his death, Doho represented Kwami East Constituency and was a member of the opposition, Congress for Progressive Change, CPC.

○ Also, last week, Inspector Rilwanu Gazama, a former police orderly to the immediate past governor of

the State, Senator Mohammed Danjuma Goje was shot dead, along the busy Emir's Palace road in the town. The development has thrown Gombe State into palpable fear of the unknown.

○ Meanwhile, agency reports said that Governor Dankwambo's convoy was reportedly returning to Gombe, the state capital after the governor had inspected some

projects at Shingom Local Government Area, when his convoy was involved in an autocrash. It was learnt that a pickup van lost control and rammed into a police van and a Peugeot 406 sedan in Dankwambo's convoy. Dankwambo, who was in his car at the time of the accident escaped unhurt. The Gombe State governor was the fourth to be involved in accident in the last two



Jigawa sets up 7 new Sharia courts

DUTSE—JIGAWA State Government said yesterday it had established seven additional Sharia courts to improve the administration of justice in the state.

Alhaji Bala Musa, the Chief Registrar of the Sharia Court of Appeal, told newsmen that the courts were established in 2012.

Musa said the action was designed to increase the number of courts and enhance access to justice in rural communities.

He said the state government

had also executed various development projects aimed at transforming the courts.

He said: "Our main concern this year is to alleviate the burden of the common man. The burden that involves coming to court to file his case.

"Jigawa is a very wide state and we have people spread across nooks and crannies of the state and by bringing the court closer to them you are alleviating the burden of having to travel over long distances."