

Armed robbers terrorize Abuja residents

—As family of four perish in car crash

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RESIDENTS of Kubwa, especially those living at Arab Road, a suburb of the Federal Capital Territory, FCT, Abuja, have in the past three weeks been living in fear as armed robbers terrorize the area, carting away vehicles and other items.

A section of the Pipeline Road, by High Tension, Arab Road, Kubwa, has been in darkness for a long time and even when Power Holding Company of Nigeria, PHCN, gives light, it will not last up to three hours before it is taken.

Meantime, a family of four, at the weekend, perished in a motor

accident along Lokoja/Enugu Highway while running away from Abuja to send the children to the East so as not to be caught by any election violence.

The tragic death of the man, his wife and children was announced by the Parish Priest of Christ the King Catholic Church, Kubwa, Rev. Fr. Festus Nwadike during a church service.

It was also gathered that many people, especially from the South-East, had, on Friday and Saturday, penultimate week, boarded vehicles with their property to their various communities as a result of fear over the alleged violence that could erupt after the forthcoming elections.

The accident reportedly occurred before the Independent National Electoral Commission, INEC, announced the shift in date of the elections that were initially slated for February 14, for the presidency and national assembly and February 28 which was for governors and states house of assembly.

The robbers stormed Pipeline Road by High Tension Pole and broke into a compound beside Good Shepherd Nursery/Primary School and carted away a Highlander vehicle that was recently bought by the occupant of the house and removed all flat screen televisions in all the rooms.