

# *Bomb Blast Targets Parking Area in Northeast Nigeria, Kills 18*

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Abuja, February 27 (RHC)-- A bomb blast in the northeastern Nigerian town of Biu has claimed the lives of at least 18 people. According to Babagana Kyari, a civilian vigilante, on Thursday, "at least 18 people, including three women, died... and several others were injured" when a bomber targeted the Tashar Gandu motor park in Biu, Borno State.

Another bomber was gunned down before detonating his explosives in the town, said Ali Dauda, a local resident who witnessed the incident. No individual or group has claimed responsibility for the bombing. However, the Nigerian government blames such attacks on the Boko Haram Takfiri group, which has recently intensified its acts of terror in the northeast of the African country.

The attack came two days after a bomb blast targeted a bus station in the city of Kano, leaving 34 people dead. Last week, a blast at a market in Potiskum, the commercial capital of the restive state of Yobe, killed six people.

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