



High Commission of India, Abuja

Press Release

Indian Casualties in Kano Violence

High Commission of India, Abuja announces with deep regret that violent incidents in Kano city on January 20 2012 have resulted in casualties among small Indian community resident there.

2. We have learnt that a 23-year old Indian national Mr Kevalkumar Kalidas Rajput has lost his life. The unfortunate deceased belonged to Devgad Baria, Sanchagalo, Dahod in Gujarat state. He carried Indian passport Number J 0296137 issued on March 30 2010 by RPO Ahmadabad and worked for Kano-based company M/s Relchem since March 2011. He and two of his co-employees Mr Hari Prasad Bhusal and Mr Raj Singh (both Nepali Nationals) lost their lives when their car apparently entered a zone of hostilities. The parents of late Mr Rajput have been informed.

3. High Commission has also learnt that six other Indian nationals, including two small children, belonging to two families have received injuries from falling shrapnel and debris. They are being treated in Kano hospitals.

4. High Commission of India offers our deep condolences to the families of the deceased Mr Rajput and his two Nepalese colleagues. High Commission also wishes speedy recovery to injured Indians.

5. We also wish to take this opportunity to re-emphasise the need for Indian nationals to observe the terms of our Security Advisory issued on January 17 2012: (<http://www.indianhcabuja.com/docs/Security%20Advisory%20for%20Indian%20Nationals.htm>). High Commission also reiterates its earlier advisory and requests Indian nationals to register themselves with the Mission.

6. In case of further need for assistance, elaboration, the following officials in High Commission of India, Abuja can be contacted:

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