



POPE FRANCIS CONDOLES FAMILIES OF MUBI BOMBLAST VICTIMS

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The Holy Father Pope Francis has expressed deep shock and commiserated with the families of the recent bomb attack at Medina Mosque in Mubi, Adamawa State; at which about 50 people lost their lives and several others injured. He described the incident as a senseless and deplorable act. The Pope's message was contained in a letter signed by the Vatican Secretary of State, Cardinal Pietro Parolin.

The message reads: "Having learned with sadness of the bombing at the medina Mosque in Mubi, His holiness Pope Francis extends heartfelt condolences to all who are mourning the loss of loved ones and those injured in this senseless and deplorable acts of violence. Entrusting the deceased to the merciful love of the Almighty, His Holiness offers assurance of his prayers for the community and his encouragement to the civil authorities and emergency personnel in the aftermath of this tragic attack."

It will be recalled that, last Tuesday, about 50 people were said to have been killed when a suicide bomber blew himself up in the Mosque. The blast happened during early morning prayers at the Madina mosque in the Unguwar Shuwa area of Mubi, some 200 kilometres (125 miles) by road from the Adamawa state capital Yola. It was described as the biggest attack in Adamawa since December 2016, when two female suicide bombers killed 45 people at a crowded market in the town of Madagali.

The Police attributed the attack to the members of the Boko Haram terrorist group.