Nigerian Islamist attacks Sectarian violence has claimed more than 150 lives in fighting between

the militant group Boko Haram and security forces in four northern states

O Police stations Maiduguri, attacked Borno State

Kano State Potiskum, Yobe State

Abuja
Bauchi
400km
250 miles

Sharia law
in place

Boko Haram: Seeks stricter adoption

of Shariah law. Has aligned itself with the Taliban and Al Qaeda but has no known ties to militant Islamist groups outside Nigeria

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