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30 burnt to death in Niger community clashes



Over 30 people were burnt in their houses during the communal clash between Fulani and Kamuku in Katako District of Tegna, Rafi Local Government Area of **Niger State**.

Reports from the community show that several others were badly injured while other residents fled for safety.

The clash, a reprisal attack following an incident some weeks ago, began on Tuesday and continued until the late hours of Wednesday.

Speaking to reporters in Minna, the state capital, a resident, Alhaji Isah Tanko Tegna, said the situation had been reoccurring since June 24, this year without any action from either the state or security authorities.

Tegna called on those who are responsible for protecting the lives and property to wake up and do the needful, before the crises continue to escalate.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Superintendent of Police Wasiu Abiodun, who confirmed the figure, said 15 people were reported to be burnt to death in a two-bedroom flat at Angwan-Baago via Godoro village in Tegna, suspected armed men shot a 25-year-old man while a group of Yansakai killed a 28-year-old man, adding that one other person was killed in another location.

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He added: "On 30/6/2026 about 2pm, report received from Katako district area of Rafi Local Government Area indicated on 29/6/2026 about 11.30pm at Godoro village, suspected armed men fired gunshots at one Ibrahim Musa 25 years who died on the spot, and as a result of this, a group of Yansakai blocked road and killed one Bashir Mazi 28 years. This attack was allegedly linked to a lingering land crisis between two tribes in the area.

"Furthermore, on 1/7/2026 at 10pm a report indicated that 15 persons were reportedly burnt to death in a two-bedroom flat at Angwan-Baago via Godoro village, while one other person was also killed at another location, bringing the number of deaths to 18."

Wasiu said a reconciliation committee headed by the local government officials was working with the security agencies to address the crisis, adding that joint police and military patrols had been deployed in the area to restore peace.

But, traditional leaders put the number of deaths at 43, describing the incident as unfortunate.

In a condolence message to the District Head of Teginna, Mallam Garba Bako, and people of Teginna, the traditional rulers, which include Dan Malikin Teginna, Mainan Mai Martaba and Emir of Kagara, Mallam Ahmed Garba Gunna, said their prayers were with the bereaved families, those who sustained injuries and everyone affected by the clash.