

Terrorists Kill 35 In Kebbi, Bauchi, Niger, Burn Churches, Houses, Shops



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...abduct 150 in Niger community

Terrorists between Sunday night and yesterday invaded various communities in Kebbi, Bauchi and Niger states, killing at least 35 persons in the process and abducting about 150 villagers.

In Kebbi State, the marauders invaded Debe Community in Shanga Local Government Area of killing at least 24 villagers, burning churches, houses and shops, while in Sabon Garin Pali in Alkaleri Local Government Area of Bauchi State, six people were reportedly killed and several others injured.



Also in Baga Community in Shiroro Local Government Area of Niger State, no fewer than five villagers were reportedly killed and many others injured following an invasion by suspected terrorists.

In Kebbi, the Director of Social Communications, Catholic Diocese of Kontagora, Rev. Fr. Matthew Stephen Kabirat, who confirmed the incident, said in a statement that the terrorists invaded the village around 5pm on Monday, killing people across religious and social groups, and setting churches and homes ablaze.

Confirming the incident in a statement, the Kebbi State Police Command Public Relations Officer, SP Bashir Usman, said the communities were set on fire, and lives were tragically lost.

In Bauchi, residents said the attackers stormed the village on Sunday night, shooting indiscriminately to scare villagers before moving from house to house. A member of the community, who spoke anonymously, narrated that many residents were fast asleep when the bandits struck around midnight,

catching them unawares.

According to him, the gunmen searched homes for money and valuables, killing some residents in the process without provocation.

In Niger State, New Telegraph gathered that Baga Community was attacked by the terrorists yesterday morning and they abducted unconfirmed number of persons prompting villagers to flee as their houses were set ablaze.