

Insecurity: 20 Killed As Bandits Raze Dangulbi Community In Fresh Sokoto Attack



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No fewer than 20 villagers were reported killed by bandits in a fresh [attack on Dangulbi community in Tureta Local Government Area of Sokoto State on Tuesday.](#)

Former Councillor of Dangulbi Ward in Tureta LGA, Hon. Aliyu Dangulbi, who confirmed, stated that other victims of the attack were admitted and are responding to treatment at the Specialist Hospital, Sokoto.

Hon. Dangulbi recalled that the attack happened a few hours after a similar attack during the [Eid al-Kabir Sallah celebrations](#), which resulted in the death of at least 17 people, including some visitors to the community.



Also, local sources confirmed that the attackers, who arrived on about 150 motorcycles and were armed with dangerous weapons, invaded the village on Sunday morning between 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

They immediately opened fire indiscriminately, forcing residents to flee into the bush to save their lives. Of the 17 people killed in the earlier attack, seven were visitors who had come to the village for Sallah celebrations.

Five of them were from Adarawa Village in Gummi Local Government Area of Zamfara State, while the other two were from Gidan Gambo in Shagari Local Government Area of Sokoto State.

The source said the attackers came from the Bagega area in Anka Local Government Area of Zamfara State.

They passed through Barayar Zaki, spent the night in Gizazza Village, and then struck Dangulbi in the morning.

After the attack, the gunmen spent hours in the village, preventing residents from leaving to conduct funeral rites for the deceased, and also looting goods from about 20 shops.

"It was only after 7:00 p.m. that they left the village, and then people returned. We conducted the funeral rites for the deceased at about 9:30 p.m.," a resident said.

The situation forced many people to flee to Gummi, Shagari, Tureta, and Bukkuyum areas.

After leaving Dangulbi, the attackers intensified their attacks on neighbouring villages, including Kukoki and Birnin Magaji, where they kidnapped some people.

However, the source said those abducted managed to escape due to strong winds and rainfall on Sunday night.

They appealed to the federal government and the Sokoto State government to intervene urgently to curb the escalating attacks in the area.

All efforts to hear from the council chairman on the issue failed as his phone was switched off at the time of filing this report.

When contacted, the spokesperson of the Sokoto State Police Command confirmed that the command received a report of the attack, adding that security operatives are continuing efforts to address the situation and restore law and order.