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## 16 killed in Bauchi communal clash, say police

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The Police in Bauchi State on Friday said 16 people were killed while 20 houses were burnt in Kurum village of Bogoro Local Government Area of the state during a night attack by gunmen on Wednesday. The state's Commissioner of Police, John Abakasanga, said in Bauchi that the motive behind the attack was not known.



Bauchi Communal Clash

He, however, said the attack followed one of the serial raids in successive months. The police boss said gunmen had adopted a hit-and-run strategy in raiding the area, adding that the police were investigating the cause of the attack. Also speaking, Bukata Zhadi, secretary of Zaar Elders and Traditional Rulers in Bogoro and Tafawa Balewa councils, said three more persons receiving treatment in the hospital died, bringing the number of the dead to 19. Zhadi said that many other persons were in critical condition in various hospitals. The secretary hinged the recurrent crisis on the state government's failure to tackle the problem.



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