

Five killed, 15 houses set ablaze in a fresh crisis in Nasarawa

No fewer than five persons were reported killed and 15 houses set ablaze in the Obi Local Government Area of Nasarawa State in renewed clashes between Koro and Eggon tribesmen.

The Commissioner of Police, Abayomi Akeremale, confirmed the death toll in Lafia on Wednesday.

Akeremale said that several houses were also destroyed by fire

during the hostilities between the two tribes in Gwadanye area of Agyaragu.

The clash was a result of an alleged stealing of a motorcycle from Angwan Yakubu by an unidentified person who ran into Gwadanye area, inhabited by the Koro.

The demand for the people of Angwan Yakubu to fish out the alleged culprit resulted in a fracas that led to the death of more than five

persons and the burning of more than 15 houses.

The constituency office of the deputy speaker of the state House of Assembly, Elisha Agwadu, was also razed by fire.

Meanwhile, Akeremale said security agencies were on top of the situation, adding that security personnel had been deployed to ensure safety of lives and properties.