



BOKO HARAM KILLS 29 IN BORNO VILLAGES

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Twenty nine people were killed by members of the Boko Haram in separate attacks on villages in Askira Uba and Chibok LGA areas of Borno State between Monday and Tuesday.

Sources said the attacks also left many other people injured. It was gathered that 19 people were killed in Alagarno on Tuesday when many of the attackers stormed the village with assault rifles and petrol bombs.

Musa Jalo, a farmer from the area, said the insurgents attacked Alagarno from many directions. The village is less than 30 kilometers from Chibok where 276 girls were kidnapped by the insurgents on April 14.

"They killed 19 people and burnt most houses and shops in Alagarno. They also loaded bags of foodstuff into vehicles and fled with them," he said.

Another man from Alagarno who did not give his name said the attackers remained in the village till yesterday.

"Two of their vehicles got spoilt but the attackers took their time to repair them. It was in the morning that they fixed the faulty vehicles and drove them away," he said.

Before the attacks in Alagarno, Daily Trust learnt that there was a similar siege on Monday in Shawa village located 15 kilometers away from Chibok.

"Eight people were killed and many houses and personal effects of the people were destroyed," a source from the area said.

According to him, two other people were killed in nearby Kopchi village. They also destroyed houses, vehicles and motorcycles after taking away foodstuff.

"It is like the insurgents have destroyed all major towns and are now descending on minor settlements...we really need help because they don't just destroy buildings but kill at will," he said.

There was also a report of another attack in Chikon Gudo village, along the shores of Lake Chad in Marte LGA.

Sources said they attacked the village around 1pm yesterday but it was not clear by press time how many people were killed. There was no statement from either the police or the military on the incident.

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