

over 100 grandchildren. He served as former Accountant General of Bauchi during the Ahmadu Mu'azu administration.

spent days with their captors and were later released but it remains unclear if ransoms were paid for their release.

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B/Haram kills scores in Madagali, victims reject sect

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Boko Haram militants killed an unspecified number of people in Madagali LGA of Adamawa State in the past few days.

Madagali and Michika have been under the control of Boko Haram for the past three months with thousands of displaced residents living in Yola and other towns.

A senior public servant

from the area told *Daily Trust* that the killings started Saturday after majority of residents showed reluctance to join the insurgents to fight soldiers. He said the insurgents assembled hundreds of the remaining residents at a primary school and asked them whether they were ready to fight on their side against the advancing soldiers but only a few accepted.

According to him, the insurgents rounded up the reluctant ones, tied their

hands to their backs and took them to a field where they killed them, a dozen at a time.

"One of the victims was my house boy in Madagali. The insurgents got information that soldiers were advancing towards Gulak, so they hurriedly embarked on forced recruitment. They killed dozens with guns, daggers and knives," he said.

Military authorities in Yola could not be reached for comment.