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Last Wednesday, clashes between the Shi'ite sect and security agents left a number of people dead and property destroyed in some Northern states in the country, which include Jos, Katsina, Kano, Kaduna, and Sokoto.

In Funtua, Katsina State, no fewer than nine people were killed as members of Islamic Movement of Nigeria (IMN), popularly known as Shi'ite sect, clashed with combined security operatives after converging at Shuwaki area for their annual Ashora procession around 8am.

Daily Trust gathered that members of the sect in Funtua are still mourning the loss of their friends and relatives that died last Wednesday. Some of the families expressed their disaffection and called for immediate and unconditional release of the corpses of their relatives for proper burial.

Umar Akila Imam lost his son, Mustapha Ahmad Imam, 22, a 300-level student of Ahmadu Bello University and has petitioned the commissioner of police who promised to get clearance from AIG's office to release the corpse.

Another member, Malam Ali Ibrahim said the movement has so far collected eight corpses, adding that efforts are in top gear to recover the three corpses said to be with the police. "It is heartbreaking to see loved ones lost in this way," he said.

Another affected by the crises is Hassan, who lost a nephew, Yasir Muhammad, 17, from gunshot wounds. "He died on Thursday

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According to the commission of Enquiry headed by Abdullahi, the movement's Police Area fire on police a member of the movement is untrue because they do not carry arms.

The Leader of the Movement in Katsina, Sheikh, said the increase in the movement is disturbing and is a script by force for their selfish security operations. He said the sect is being attacked.

He revealed that the revelation now wears the attack us, places where persons are out in the streets of our place.

Sheikh said that people are of the perspective and so they practice their religion, noting that others to If people