

A resident of the community, Sani Bello said youths broke into the Shi'ite leader's house, carted away valuables before setting the house ablaze.

3 In Kano State the clash was basically between angry youths and members of the Shi'ite group which left 17 followers dead. The Public Relations Officer of the Kano State Police Command, DSP Magaji Musa Majia said the confrontation occurred at different locations within the state capital metropolis, including Kofar-Mata, Murtala Muhammad Hospital and around Kano Abattoir. He also added that those injured were rushed to the police clinic where they were treated and discharged and 138 members, mostly women and children rescued.

A Sokoto State had a single incident where a man thought to be a member of the Shi'ite group was reportedly burnt along with his car by hoodlums at the Tudun Wada area of Sokoto.

It could be recalled that the leader of the IMN, Ibrahim El-Zakzaky is still in detention in Nigeria. He was arrested after soldiers clashed with members of the Shi'ite sect in December, 2015. The Shi'ite sect embarks on Ashura processions this time every year to mourn the killing of Prophet Muhammad's grandson, Hussein, in 680 AD.