Insurgents kill 7 in Borno

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A t least seven people were killed and some houses razed when gunmen suspected to be Boko Haram insurgents attacked a remote community near Chibok town

on Christmas eve, sources said.

The incident happened about 5pm at Piyemi, about 10 kilometers away from Chibok town in the southern part of Borno State.

A local vigilante in the village, Bitrus Yohaanna, confirmed that seven people lost their lives during the attack and some houses were burnt, including churches.

"These people have kept attacking us. You can recall that last year, the same thing happened. We were cooking when they came to kill us, as well as destroy and steal all our Christmas foods. It is frustrating," he lamented.

Top security sources confirmed the incident, but claimed that six persons were killed, not seven.