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10 killed, others injured in fresh Southern Kaduna attack

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 Nasir El-Rufai

[FILES] Kaduna State governor Nasir El-Rufai / Lagos traffic

Uba Sani urges security agencies to fish out perpetrators

Ten persons have been reported killed in a fresh attack on Langson, Zangon-Kataf Local Council of Kaduna State.

At the weekend, 17 persons had been confirmed killed in attacks at Ungwan Wakili and neighbouring communities of Zangon-Kataf.

Chairman of the local council, Francis Sani, confirmed the latest attack, to journalists, in Kaduna on telephone.

The Guardian gathered that the attackers invaded the community around 9.00p.m. on Tuesday, shooting sporadically to scare residents.

The attackers reportedly looted a shop in the area before the police challenged them.

Appealing for calm, Sani urged government to deploy more security personnel to stop the persistent attacks.

Also speaking on the attack, the National President, Atyap Community Development Association (ACDA), Sam Achie, passed a vote of no confidence in some security operatives deployed to the area to protect life and property.

Achie lamented the silence of government on the attacks, urging the government to match words with action by arresting the perpetrators.

The ACDA president also commended the Mobile Police in Langson community, who were said to have repelled the attackers, even as he called on the people to continue to be at alert to protect their communities against the oppressors, who are bent on taking their ancestral land.

Meanwhile All Progressives Congress (APC) governorship candidate for Saturday's election in the state, Sen. Uba Sani, has called on security agents to fish out the perpetrators.

He expressed deep pain over the attack, asserting that the cycle of attacks on innocent lives must be broken.

In a statement, yesterday, Sani called for decisive action against murderous elements terrorising the state.

While condemning the incident, the senator stated: “Security agencies must move into action to fish out the perpetrators of these heinous crimes. Such elements have no place in a decent society like ours. The inability of security agencies to fashion effective strategies to degrade or decimate these terrorists and bandits rendered most of our communities desolate.

“The full weight of the law is hardly brought to bear on criminal elements. Our people watch helplessly as criminal elements hold sway in many communities. This must not be allowed to continue.”

He noted security as a key plank of his manifesto.

“If, by the grace of God, I get the people’s mandate, I will work with security agencies to restore peace to Kaduna communities,” he added.

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