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A group of armed men has ambushed and killed not less than twelve people in Sandiya village of Damboa local government area of Borno State. They also set ablaze many houses after displacing many out of the community.

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witnessed deadly attacks by the Boko Haram sect through road attacks and other deadly strategies. Though, the military has killed hundreds of the terrorists in their various camps along the off shores of the Sambisa Game Forests in an offensive raid, even as many of the terrorists also escaped the several attacks and regrouped again.

LEADERSHIP Sunday gathered from a reliable source that the gunmen were alleged to be on a revenge mission as it was reported that some people in the village have exposed the modus operandi of the suspected Boko Haram members who fled military raid along the Sambisa Forests but were later captured by the security operatives.

This development, according to the source, did not go down well with the terrorists who mobilised and arrived Sandiya village in the midnight on that fateful day and started opening fire on residents while setting ablaze some residential houses.

He stated that the gunmen numbering about 30, fully armed, came in three Hilux vehicles and on motorcycles, stormed the village and started chanting Allahu Akbar (God is Great), before opening gun fire on the helpless and unarmed residents. This led to the killing of about 12 of them, while several others sustained various degrees of injury from gunshots.

Confirming the incident to LEADERSHIP Sunday, the State Commissioner of Police, Mr Tanko Lawal said, "The story is true, hoodlums invaded the community and killed 12 people, burnt houses, steal vehicles and motorcycles".

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