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15 Killed In Taraba, Southern Kaduna Villages

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No fewer than 10 persons were said to have been killed yesterday when gunmen suspected to be Fulani herdsmen attacked Sabon Gida Shagogo in Donga local government area of Taraba State, even as five others were killed in Karshi village in Sanga local government area of Kaduna State.

Narrating the Taraba incident, an eye witness who spoke to LEADERSHIP, Hon Ahijo Uhaa Gbashi said that the attackers numbering over 100 invaded the village at about 4-6pm, killing 10 people and setting ablaze houses and places.

He stressed that the attackers came few hours after military personnel who were on routine patrol of the area left the village.

"As I am talking to you, we are burying the corpses of people killed in the attack. We have reported series of threats of attack on our village to security personnel time and time again but nobody seems to care

"How come the security personnel left our village and in less than 10 minutes, we were attacked, if they didn't have prior knowledge of the planned attack and they gave way for them to attack us?

"No one cares about us. Lives and properties are being wasted on daily basis and government is not doing anything to stop the killing of our people," he lamented.

According to him, the village was reduced to rubble within the two hours that the attack lasted.

He noted that the Catholic Church and the Parish House were also burnt down in the process of the attack.

"Even the Rev. Father Clement Mkperaga who is in charge of our parish narrowly escaped death. The whole village has been deserted," he stressed.

When contacted, police public relations officer, Taraba State Command, ASP Joseph Kwaji who confirmed the attack told LEADERSHIP on phone that only two persons were killed.

Southern Kaduna

Killings in troubled Sanga local government in the Southern part of Kaduna State resumed yesterday following the murder of five

Among those killed were a one-year-old baby and his mother, whose father was brutally killed in an ambush on Monday.

LEADERSHIP gathered that the village was attacked by unknown terrorists early yesterday morning, leaving many persons injured.

A resident, Mr Bulus told our correspondent that five people were killed in the early morning raid on the village, while several houses and food stores were burnt to ashes when the terrorists stormed the village.

The police authorities and local government officials could not comment on the attack despite several attempts made by our