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Boko Haram terrorists in control of Gwoza town in Borno State have in the last 48 hours engaged in a massacre of aged men and women in the beleaguered town just as men of the Nigeria Army celebrate the death of 75 terrorists killed in a fierce battle in a village near Maiduguri, according to security sources and witnesses.

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An official of the Nigeria Vigilante who also is a native of Gwoza told LEADERSHIP Weekend in Maiduguri that the gunmen apparently irked by their defeat in the towns of Adamawa State have turned their vexed rifles on hapless aged men and women who could not flee from the town.

"What they are doing now is to assemble the aged persons – both men and women – who are still trapped in the town and villages around Gwoza at the Government Day Secondary School (GDSS) Gwoza, near Gadamayo and then they would just open fire on some of them...we are worried because some of

our aged parents are there in Gwoza," the source who preferred not to be named for fear that he could put his aged parents in harm's way said.

"One of the residents of Bayan-Dutse who has the Cameroon telephone line called to inform me of this sad development. He said over 50 persons may have been killed in GDSS Gwoza. Other residents of Dhimankara, Ville, Kuranabasa, Gudugum and some other nearby villages are being taken to Uvagh Central Primary school where they are being shot at after assembling them. We have been afflicted with this unfortunate malady called Boko Haram and only God will liberate us from their shackles," he added.

Meanwhile, soldiers of the 7 Division Nigeria Army, Maiduguri yesterday recorded a major success with the effective repulsion of an attack by Boko Haram on Bulabulin village in Damboa local government area of Borno state.

Bulabulin, which is about 40km away from Maiduguri, the Borno state capital had suffered similar attacks in the past. But on Friday morning when the Boko Haram terrorists came driving in several trucks with the intent to run over the village, soldiers stationed near the area gave them a shocker as they engaged them in a deadly duel that left at least 75 of them dead and several others seriously injured.

An electricity company worker who was part of the engineering team deployed to Damboa axis to fix the electricity installations that were vandalised by the insurgents which led to over five months of total darkness in Maiduguri, said he saw a large number of the insurgents advancing towards the village before the soldiers engaged them.

A junior ranking soldier who confirmed the development to journalists in Maiduguri said the attack was forewarned and "that was why it was very successful because the soldiers prepared for them and dealt with them while the remaining others who could not stand the superiority of our men had to abandon their vehicles, motorcycles and weapons at the scene and flee."

Similarly, the insurgents yesterday afternoon also attacked Konduga town, 35km away from Maiduguri, killing three persons before soldiers and operatives of the Civilian-JTF repelled them killing several.

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