LAND DISPUTE:

Communal Clash Claims 15 Lives In Kebbi

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Communal clash over land dispute in Kubala village of Tadurga district of Zuru local government area of Kebbi State has claimed over 14 lives while properties worth millions of naira were destroyed at the weekend.

An eye witness, Sani Sikandi told LEADERSHIP that the two communities of Isgogo and Rumu have been engaged in land dispute for over 10 years only for the old rivalry to be rekindled again following dispute over the land at the weekend.

"The two communities have long history of land dispute for over 10 years which has resurfaced now resulting to the death of over 14 people with houses and properties burnt, many pople have also been hospitalised. The police have since besieged the area to stop further trouble."

The Kebbi State deputy governor, Alh. Samaila Dabai Yombe rushed to the scene on hearing about the incident. He described the incident as unfortunate since the matter of the land dispute was already before the court for judgement. According to him eight people were killed, and eight others hospitalised. He added that security has been dispatched to the place and calm has since returned to the area.

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