

## Death toll rises to 31 as gunmen sustain attacks in Plateau



The ongoing attacks on communities of Riyom local government, Plateau State, has claimed five more lives as gunmen continue to unleash terror on residents.

Victims of the latest attack were ambushed by the gunmen in a bush located between Shonong and Badok.

The series of attack on the local government commenced on the 2nd of October and has continued on a daily basis leading to the death of over 30 people.

The gunmen had allegedly attacked 12 villages with tension in others on when it would be their turn.

Chairman of Riyom Local Government, Hon. Josephine Piyo, who confirmed the fresh attack, said: "The victims were on their way from Shonong to Badok village and were ambushed and killed by gunmen.

"I reported the incident to the Special Taskforce on Jos crisis STF. I believe by now they should have gone there."

Some of the villagers have raised the alarm that the gunmen terrorising the communities may be coming from their camp located in a forest between Plateau and Kaduna States.

The rocky forest lay particularly in Riyom local government of Plateau State, extending to Sanga local government of Kaduna State.