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Scores killed, houses razed in fresh attack on Southern Kaduna village

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ABOUT 20 people were Saturday night killed and several others injured after gunmen launched an attack on Runji village, Sankwab community of Zangon Kataf Local Government area, Kaduna State.

This attack occurred barely three days after eight people were killed at Atak Njei village of same LGA.

The Nation gathered that, the attackers stormed the community some few minutes to 10pm on Saturday and started shooting sporadically, killing and razing houses while the occupants scampered to safety.

Sources from the area said local guards keeping vigil were able to engaged the invaders but it took the swift intervention of military operatives to repel the attacks.

The locals commended the swift response of the military without which, they said, the attackers would have wiped out the whole community.

Kaduna State Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs, Samuel Aruwan

who confirmed the incident said, Governor Nasir El-Rufai described them as unacceptable and unjustifiable.

Aruwan said: "The military has informed the Kaduna State Government of an attack in Runji village, Zangon Kataf LGA, in which several lives were lost on Saturday night.

"The preliminary report further informed the government that the attack also left some residents injured and an unspecified number of houses burnt down in the community.