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Boko Haram: 9 killed, 20 farms set ablaze in Borno

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Terrorists, suspected to be members of the dreaded Boko Haram sect, were said to have launched attacks on farmers, killing nine people and setting ablaze over 20 farms about to be harvested in Konduga Local Government Area of Borno State.

Konduga is about 40 kilometres away from Maiduguri, the state capital. It had witnessed series of attacks and bombings by the insurgents. The most deadly of the attacks in the last three months was when about 50 worshippers were killed in a mosque during morning prayers.

Speaking with the Nigerian Tribune at the Government House in Maiduguri, Alhaji Umar Baganin Laifinka, who accompanied the Caretaker Chairman of Konduga, Alhaji Ali Abbari, to see the deputy governor on the matter lamented the rate at which Boko Haram insurgents are wrecking havoc in communities in Konduga, saying it calls for urgent government intervention.

Laifinka stated that: "In the last seven days, Boko Haram insurgents have killed over nine people and set ablaze over 20 farmlands about to be harvested. As I am talking to you now, our people living in Balge and Umba villages behind Kwatan Yobe, have been displaced as terrorists have not only set their farmlands ablaze, but their residential houses."

Efforts to get official confirmation from the police did not yield positive result as at press time.

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