



Suspected militias kill village head, one other in Plateau

Youths set police station ablaze over alleged missing manhood

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SUSPECTED militias, on Sunday, invaded Kambang-Malul village of Daffo District in Bokkos Local Government Area of Plateau State and killed the village head and one other person.

This was just as armed robbers also stormed a shop and shot four customers, while irate youths also set a police station ablaze over alleged missing manhood in Mangu Local Government Area of the state.

Nigerian Tribune learnt that the hoodlums ambushed the village head, Mr Musa Ataka, and one Danjuma Take, who were returning from a visit to a friend in a nearby village, and hacked them to death.

A source close to the village

revealed that the hoodlums waited to confirm the death of the victims before escaping from the scene.

The bodies of the two victims were later discovered by passersby who alerted their families.

The source further disclosed that the bodies had been deposited at a mortuary in Bokkos.

In the other incident, four persons were shot by armed robbers at a Point of Sales (PoS) shop on Sunday at Panyam District in Mangu Local Government Area.

The incident occurred at about 9:00 p.m when the robbers, numbering about five, entered into the shop, shot the customers transacting business and collected undisclosed amount of

money from the shop owner.

Nigerian Tribune learnt that the shop owner was unhurt while those shot were taken to COCIN Rural Health Hospital in Panyam for treatment.

Also, irate youths in Ampang District of Mangu Local Government, over the weekend, set the police station in the community ablaze over alleged plan by the police to shield a man who was accused of being responsible for the disappearance of a trader's manhood.

It was gathered that on realising that the man's manhood had disappeared, the suspect was taken to the police station.

According to a source, while the police were still trying to

resolve the matter, youths in the community besieged the station, insisting that the suspect be released to them for jungle justice, but the police refused to accede to their demand.

The source further said: "When the police discovered that the youth were becoming unruly, they invited personnel of *Operation Safe Haven*, who took the suspect away. At this point, the youth descended on the policemen, overpowered them and set the station ablaze."

Efforts to confirm the incident from the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), ASP Ubah Gabriel, proved abortive as calls made to his mobile phone were not answered.