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Gunmen

NO fewer than 11 people were killed in separate attacks in Kaduna and Yobe state on Saturday.

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Palpable tension enveloped Kaduna metropolis and environs following the killing of five persons by yet-to-be identified gunmen at Aduwan in Zango-Kataf Local Government of the

The development led to hundreds of residents of the state scampering for cover as it was rumoured that there was fighting in the Sabon-Tasha area of the state, forcing the state government to issue statement debunking the rumour.

Our correspondent gathered that hundreds of unknown gunmen invaded the village of Aduwan, in the Southern part of the state, wielding sophisticated weapons, killing about five persons while scores of others sustained various degrees of injuries.

An eyewitness told our correspondent that the killing took place on Saturday at about 10pm in the Aduwan village when residents were mourning the death of a ward head(Dakachi Aduwan), Chief Dodo Mutua.

Another eyewitness, James Adeleye, told our correspondent that "when I was coming from the church, I heard rumour of crisis in Sabo but honestly, I was in the area and there was nothing like crisis."

The confusion started about 12pm, when most churches are rounding off their services. As soon as news filtered in of the violence in the southern part of the state, many worshippers rushed out without sharing the closing prayers.

However, the state security outfit, Operation Yaki, took over the major roads while many vehicles went off the streets.

The state Governor, Ramallan Yero, in a statement appealed for calm over the incident in Aduwan village.

He said, "Government has launched investigation in to the cause of the matter."

He, however, warned that security operatives would deal ruthlessly with those that would breach the relative peace enjoyed in the state.

Yero also directed security agencies to maintain law and order in the area and the state in general as well as protect lives and properties of the people.

Also, the state Commissioner of Police, Mr. Olufemi Adenaike, while confirming the attack in Aduwan village, said command had deployed armed policemen in the area to maintain law and order in the troubled area.

Meanwhile, at least six people were killed in an attack in Yobe State.

Lt. Eli Lazarus said on Sunday that the attack happened on Saturday night in Ngalda area of the state.

Lazarus said no one had been arrested for the attack.

However, Associated Press reported that the local residents said they suspected Boko Haram.

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