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Vigilante group kills 70 insurgents in Adamawa

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A vigilante group in Madagali town in Adamawa State on Friday killed about 70 Boko Haram insurgents in an ambush that underscores the frustration of residents of Northern Nigeria.

Coming two days after a similar counter-offensive by residents of three villages in the KalaBalge district of Borno State, a Sahara Reporters report states that the vigilantes were tipped off by a local food vendor that the militants number more than 100 were on their way to procure food in large numbers.

Meanwhile, gunmen suspected to be Fulani herdsmen on Thursday morning invaded Gbaukuchi, a community in the Kuje Area of the Federal Capital Territory and attacked residents.

While some of the gunmen, who did not cover their faces, spoke Fulani and Hausa among themselves, they also gave orders to their victims in smattering English.

One of the victims, Pastor Joel Idenyi of The Assemblies of God Church, said the attackers stormed the village between 3am and 4am.

Idenyi said, "At least 15 houses were attacked. The gunmen collected mobile phones and money from us.

"They attempted to take my motorcycle away but a disagreement arose among them. Some said it should be taken, but others disagreed.

"The attackers, however, took away two motorcycles and valuable items from other residents."

Although there is no police station in the village, our correspondent learnt the police in Kuje were contacted while the attack was going on, but there was no response.

Attempt to speak with FCT Police Public Relations Officer, Altine Daniel, on the matter failed.