## B'Haram kills eight, torches houses in Borno

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Light persons were killed and several houses burnt down in separate attacks on Mangari and Warawara, villages in Biu Local Government Area of Borno State, residents who fled from the town told our correspondent on Monday on the telephone.

Mangari and Warawara villages are about five kilometres and seven kilometres away respectively from Buratai, the hometown of the Chief of Army Staff, Lt. Gen. Tukur Buratai.

One of the residents of Magari who fled to Miringa town, Luqman Idris, told our correspondent on the telephone on Monday that the insurgents besieged his village at about 3.15pm on Sunday on motorcycles and bicycles.

He said they shot at anyone in sight and set houses ablaze.

Idris said, "I saw three persons who were killed and their corpses laid on the streets.

"When we arrived

Miringa I was told that five other persons were missing, I cannot up till now tell you their whereabouts, we cannot say whether they were equally killed or abducted by the rampaging insurgents."

The attack on Warawara it was learnt occurred after the siege to Mangari.

It was gathered from the residents of the village that the insurgents moved to Warawara from Buratai, setting virtually all the buildings ablaze and killing indiscriminately.

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A resident of Warawara, Ismail Azeez, said the attackers came at about 6.15am on Monday, set houses ablaze and killed five persons.

Speaking to our correspondent on the telephone, Azeez said, "The Boko Haram fighters killed five persons in our village including my brother. As I am speaking to you now, our village head and other elders of the town have gone to bury the corpses and I believe when they come back we will know the

number of those killed and their identities," he stated.

A member of the vigilance group in Miringa, the largest village in the area, Alhaji Ahmed Miringa, confirmed the two attacks, saying, "there were two separate attacks on Magari and Warawara where eight persons were killed."

He said some members of the vigilance group and soldiers had gone to Warawara village with the intention of going after the fleeing insurgents. fee fraud and money laundering.

The EFCC accused them of converting to their personal use, a total of N2,658,957,666, belonging to NIMASA, between December 23, 2013 and May 28, 2015, contrary to Section 18 (a) of the Money Laundering (Prohibition) (Amendment) Act 2012.

Among other things, the anti-graft agency also alleged that the accused "induced the Federal Government to approve and deliver to NIMASA the sum of N795,200, 000 under the false pretence that the money represented the cost for the implementation of the International Ship and Ports Security Code in Nigeria Ports."

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"COREN has the powers to investigate the professional conduct of our members.

"This panel is calling for investigation in pursuance of the mandate of COREN as contained in the Engineers Registration Act Cap E-11, Section 1(b).

"It is an open investigation based on fair hearing, to investigate alleged misconduct by a professional colleague who is a licensed engineer."

