

# B'Haram sacks Borno village, kills scores

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*Boko Haram*

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Boko Haram insurgents has sacked Shawa, a village in Askira Local Government Area of Borno State, the leader of the youth vigilance group in the area, Istifanus Apagu, told one of our correspondents on the telephone.

Apagu said on Monday that the insurgents who came to the village on bicycles, attacked Shawa village near Mussa district in the wee hours of Sunday.

Another Civilian Joint Task Force source, however, told one of our correspondents that the Boko Haram fighters killed “many of the villagers, raped some women, took some away and injured many others.”

One of the villagers, who simply identified himself as Ibrahim, said though he managed to escape, some of his relations were not as lucky.

Ibrahim added that they burnt down the entire village, raped women and injured many residents.

Apagu, who is the leader of the youth vigilance group (Civilian JTF) in Mussa district, said he visited the scene moments after the attack and discovered that nothing was left in the village.

He said, "They (insurgents) came on bicycles around 4am on Sunday morning while people were sleeping and started opening fire on the helpless people and the villagers fled into the bush but many were critically injured.

"Though I did not see any corpse, the whole village was set ablaze and nothing was left standing. In fact, they went away with six bicycles."

In a related development, the troops of the Nigerian Army have destroyed some kidnappers' camps and killed three of the hoodlums in some parts of Bauchi State.

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