

Again, gunmen attack Southern Kaduna communities, kill nine

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Kaduna map. Web photo

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Some gunmen suspected to be Fulani herdsmen on Friday night attack three communities in Jema'a and Kaura Local Government Areas of the Southern Kaduna area of Kaduna State and killed at least nine persons.

Eleven others were said to have sustained varying degrees of injuries during the attack which took place around 7pm.

Several houses were also razed during the attack on Zikpak, Ungwan Masara, in Fantsuam area of Jema'a LGA and Maraban Kagoro in Kaura LGA.

Following the attack, the state governor, Malam Nasir El-Rufai, on Friday night imposed a 24-hour-curfew on Jema'a and Kaura LGAs.

El-Rufai, who tweeted on Friday night, said at the request of security agencies, the state government extended to Jema'a and Kaura LGAs, the 24-hour curfew that is in force in Kauru and Zangon Kataf LGAs to help contain violence, restore law and order in the area.

However, our correspondent gathered that after the attack on the three communities which claimed the lives of nine persons, the attackers returned on Saturday morning with renewed venom.