

# Boko Haram kills seven CJTF, hunters, five villagers in Borno

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Screenshot from video of Abubakar Shekau, leader of a Boko Haram faction. Source: Twitter: Audu Bulama Bukarti

## Kayode Idowu and Dogara Bitrus

No fewer than seven persons were killed on Sunday in Takulashe village, in the Chibok Local Government Area of Borno State.

The victims were said to be members of the Civilian Joint Task Force and local hunters, who engaged Boko Haram insurgents that laid siege to the village.

A resident of Chibok, Jacob Shagari, told our correspondent on the telephone that the terrorists stormed Takulashe around 9am and broke into homes to steal foodstuffs and livestock.

Shagari said the terrorists were engaged by members of the civilian JTF and local hunters.

He said at the end of the engagement, which took about an hour, seven men believed to be civilian JTF members and local hunters were killed.

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He added that although it was believed that the insurgents also had some casualties, no one could ascertain the number because they took away the corpses of their men.

Also, a member of the CJTF, who declined identification said, “Seven dead bodies have so far been recovered. We are still searching (around 5pm on Sunday). The insurgents carted away foodstuffs and livestock.”

Attempt to confirm the incident from both the police and military authorities were unsuccessful as of the time of filing the report as the spokesmen for both agencies had yet to respond to enquiries.