Two feared killed, houses burnt as irate youths protest in Bauchi

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A violent protest erupted in Zaranda Gari, Toro Local Government, Bauchi State, on Tuesday, following the alleged killing of two people by a security hunter (Dandanga).

The victims were reportedly shot dead for transporting charcoal in commercial quantity, which is an offence as established by the state government.

Our correspondent gathered that the angry youths responded by burning several houses related to the security man and blocking the federal road connecting Bauchi and Plateau states.

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A traveller, Kabiru Danhajiya, who was stranded in the town, said, "We encountered a roadblock and fire on one side of the road. Locals told us that security hunters (Dandanga) had earlier arrested and killed two people with charcoal. We were told that the community is demanding the governor's presence to address the situation."

Danhajiya reported that police were present but outnumbered by the protesters, with vehicles stranded due to the blocked road.

Details later...

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