

Gunmen kill 7 in Zangon- Kataf, set 13 houses ablaze

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Security agencies on internal security operations in parts of southern Kaduna State have confirmed that Gora Gan community in Zangon Kataf local government came under attack by gunmen on Thursday night, killing seven persons.

A statement by the State Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs, Samuel Aruwan, said, “Security agencies, comprising the military and police, reported that Gora Gan community was attacked on several fronts, including the market area and houses stretching towards the Tudun Wada area of Gora Gan.

“Troops repelled the attackers, stabilized the general area and retrieved corpses of seven persons. Security agencies further reported that one person was injured in the attacks, while 13 houses and two shops were burnt.

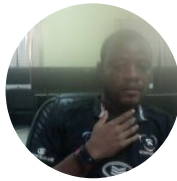
“Troops of Operation Safe Haven (OPSH), Special Forces of the Defence Headquarters and police personnel are trailing the attackers. Governor Nasir El-Rufai has condemned the killing of innocent citizens as barbaric and inhuman.

“He sent condolences to the families that lost their loved ones and prayed for the repose of their souls. The Governor also wishes the injured citizen speedy recovery. The

Governor has directed the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) to take inventory of the damages incurred and provide relief materials with immediate effect.

“The Kaduna State Government has also received a report of sporadic shooting on the Fadan Kagoma-Kwoi Road in Jema’a local government. A driver was shot, but has now been stabilized. The Governor has directed an investigation into the circumstances leading to the shootings”.

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