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# Gunmen Kill 10, Injure Others in Sokoto

John Shiklam in Kaduna

Gunmen have attacked Amarawa village in the Ilela Local Government Area of

Sokoto State yesterday, killing no fewer than 10 locals while others sustained injuries.

According to a BBC Hausa report monitored

in Kaduna, the locals have attempted to stop the gunmen from abducting a wealthy businessman who was a resident of the community.

"The gunmen who came on motorbikes had warned them to stay away. But the community members tried to

free the man. But the gunmen possessed superior weapons and they overpowered the locals, killing many," a native of the affected community has said.

He said the gunmen succeeded and whisked away the businessman.

The police in Sokoto had confirmed the attack but told the BBC Hausa that they could not give details as they were still on the investigation.

A local said yesterday afternoon, that they were preparing the dead for burial while those who sustained

gunshots were in the hospital where doctors had removed bullets from their bodies.

The locals, however, appealed to the authorities to beef up security in the area as hardly a day passes without gunmen kidnapping a person or two, in the Ilela communities.

## Policeman in Coma, Nine Others Injured in Bauchi

