Three Killed, Scores Displaced as Gunmen Attack Communities in Niger

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Three villagers have been killed and scores of others rendered homeless as gunmen invaded communities in the Gulbinboka district of Mariga Local Government of Niger State.

The incident occurred in the early hours of Wednesday.

A report from the area indicates that several of the villagers who escaped to the mountain top during the invasion are still unable to come down for fear of being attacked.

The eyewitness said the bandits riding on over 90 motorcycles carrying assault rifles and other dangerous weapons also set on

fire the houses of the villagers and their food bans.

The Councilor representing Gulbinboka Ward, Alhaji Isa Mohammed who confirmed the report said most of those kidnapped were women and children claiming that the security operatives are yet to arrive in the area.

Mohammed said those villagers on the mountain top are already facing food shortage and other essential commodities urging the government to come to their rescue.

The state government and the state police command have not reacted to the latest invasion by bandits.