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13, including 9 children, 2 women killed in Plateau

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Jos — The spate of killings in parts of Plateau State continued yesterday as another 13 people were killed in a night raid on Rapyen in Fan District of Barkin Ladi Local Government Area of Plateau State.

Those killed by the gunmen who attacked the village around 1a.m. were nine children, two women and two men, while five other sustained injuries. An eyewitness said the gunmen shot dead the 13 in their sleep.

This was even as the deathtoll from Wednesday's Boko Haram attack in Bama Local Government Area of Borno State had risen from 47 to 132.

Forty-seven bodies were initially recovered after the mayhem, Wednesday. Those killed included the District Head of Goniri, Alhaji Baba Shehu Terab, who died at the University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital, UMTH, following bullet wounds he sustained in the head.

However, 76 of the victims were said to be members of Boko Haram who were killed by troops who were supported by fighter jets belonging to the Nigerian Air Force, NAF.

The killings were confirmed by the Interim Administrator of Bama Local Government, Mr. Habila Dung. Dung who said that five Bama people who were wounded during the incident were still receiving treatment in the hospital, described the attack on the people while asleep as barbaric.

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