

Communal clash claims 7 lives in Kebbi

SEVEN PEOPLE have been confirmed dead in a communal clash over land in Zuru Local Government Area of Kebbi.

It was learnt that the land dispute between Isgogo and Rumu communities in Kubala village of Tadurga district, had been on for over 10 years.

Already, the state Deputy

Governor, Alhaji Samaila Yombe, visited the area, yesterday, and urged the villagers to desist from taking the law into their hands.

He described the incident as "unfortunate," saying that the land dispute between the two communities was already before the court.

Yombe said that seven people

comprising five women and two men were killed while eight others were hospitalised.

He said security personnel had been dispatched to the area to restore normalcy.

An eye-witness, Alhaji Sani Skandia, in Zuru, said that 14 people lost their lives in the dispute, which occurred on Sunday.

"The two communities have a long history of land dispute for over 10 years, which has resurfaced now and resulted in the death of over 14 people, with houses and other properties burnt to ashes.

"Many people have also been hospitalised while police have been deployed to the area to restore normalcy," he said.

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