

1. UPDATED SUMMARY REPORT OF THE VIOLENCE IN SOUTHERN KADUNA. FROM JANUARY 2020 TO JUNE, 2021 AS COMPILED BY SOUTHERN KADUNA PEOPLE'S UNION (SOKAPU)

January 2020

On new Year day, 1st January, 2020, not less than 200 motor bikes each with paired armed Fulani militia attacked some Gbagyi Communities in **Chikun LGA** close to Niger State. In **Tawali** village , six persons were kidnapped after the ECWA Church in the village was burnt.

In **Kuduru** village, Ezra Bala (16), a student of Government Day Secondary Schools, Koi was killed. In all the affected villages, foodstuff, cows, goats, sheep, motorcycles are being carted away.

On the 4th January, **Zoko Yako, Sabon Gida Katarma** and **Unguwan Sarki** was invaded, and expelled.

The beleaguered victims have found their way to **Sarkin Pawa** town, in Niger State, trekking for days and crossing by canoe to their Gbagyi neighbors in Niger State.

On the 5th of January, 2020, **Bwadana**, and **Kwayipe** all in *Chikun*, borderin Niger State, were attacked. In **Kwayipe**, one person, whose name was given as Dimas, was shot but escaped with fatal injuries.

6th January, 2020, **Kasso**, a peaceful Gbagyi community in Chikun LGA on its eastern boundary with Kajuru Local LGA, was again raided by these invading terrorists.

In that attack, Mr Yusuf Sule (39) and his family were hard hit. The bandits killed his younger brother, Eli Sule (35) a father of five children, Danjuma Bulus (30) a father of four children, his cousin, Istifanus Auta (31) a father of three children.

Also, his wife Ladi Yusuf, a nursing mother was abducted with her six months old baby. His younger brother Bulus Sule and his wife Rebecca Sule were also kidnapped.

On the 8th January, **Badna**, Kunai Ward, another Gbagyi in *Chikun LGA*

community, 40 people were kidnapped in one fell swoop. Around the same time. Rev, Samaila Yusuf of the local Baptist church was among the victims.

Around the same time, bandits raided **Rumana Gbagyi** and **Rumana Hausa**

where they looted the villages, carted away livestock and other valuables. Still in Chikun LGA, a community called **Bademi** was ransacked and looted. One Idi Halidu was killed and two people kidnapped.

Again 8th January, the invaders struck at **Unguan Buji** and killed one Sani Buji. In a display of brazen impunity, they kidnapped 15 people and vanished into the bushes with them.

In nearby **Maloma** community, the invaders robbed and ransacked the village and burnt a large quantity of rice and other grains before disappearing into the unknown. All these happened in a span of four days without any response from any security agency.

According to SOKAPU source, at least 35 people have been killed during these raids.

Still on the 8th January, Good Shepherd Catholic Seminary, **Buwaya**, Chikun LGA, was raided by armed herdsmen. Four Students were kidnapped. Three weeks later, Brother Nnadi Micheal (18) was killed, while the three were freed after a ransom was paid.

On the 22nd January, 2020, **Katuga** village in Chikun LGA was invaded.

8 persons were kidnapped.

On the 24 January, **Jujji** village, an outskirt of Sabo, in Chikun LGA was attacked. The marauders kidnapped the wife of a prominent medical doctor, Dr. Ataga with her three kids all below 10. On the 1st February her corpse was dumped by the road side. The kidnappers who had earlier asked for N150 million later scaled down to N25 million if the three kids must be returned alive.

NOTE

The invasions and kidnapping are happening on daily basis. Only those reported to SOKAPU can be documented.

In the eastern part of Chikun LGA, 27 Schools have been shut and all the churches, around 65 have been shut down too.

Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN), Kaduna State Chapter, said that in the past one year (2019-2020) a ransom of over N400 million has been paid to kidnappers by these impoverished societies.

FEBRUARY 2020

On 13th February, 2020, armed militia men stormed an open market In **Maro** village in *Kajuru LGA* and killed eight people, while inflicting injuries on several others.

It was yet another story of bloodshed for **Kurmi** Community in Chikun LGA when on 29th February, 2020 invaders stormed the community and burnt down no fewer than 25 houses, two churches and the entire food barns belonging to the community

MARCH 2020

On 1st March, 2020, another gang of terrorists stormed **Matsirga** village in *Zangon Kataf Local Government Area* where they killed two persons and mortally wounded five others. These vicious attacks, among others, are only some of the reported cases.

APRIL 2020

On the 23rd April, 2020 also, armed Fulani Militia attacked **Kujeni** village in the *Kajuru LGA* in daytime and Geoffrey Zakka, 25 was

killed. One woman and a child were injured and more than 25 houses burnt down. The ECWA church in the town and its pastorium were also razed completely.

On the 25th April, 2020, Five people confirmed killed, some kidnapped, some sustained injuries, cattle taken away, cars and many other valuable properties burnt down as a result of an attack by unknown gunmen at **Damba Kasaya**.

Those killed are: Audu Lawal Samaila ,61, Elisha Nyako, 70 and Danjuma Sale, 45.

The rest are: Lado Alkali, 36, and Luka Zakwai,45.

Till date, the murderers are roaming free.

All the villagers numbering over a thousand are now taking refuge with relations in nearby towns under tough conditions in this grim period of coronavirus

In **Ungwan Magaji, Chawai Chiedom**, *Kauru, LGA*, Fulani militia came down surrounding hills and unleashed havoc on the peaceful community on the 20th April, Killing five persons and burnt 36 houses including a Catholic church - the only church in the community.

Meanwhile, three Adara youths have been reportedly killed by persons fully kitted in army uniform in cohort with armed herdsmen. After the attack, 12 Adara youths were also taken away while a few managed to escape.

Adara youths from different villages had coordinated themselves into a vigilante group to guard their villages the day armed herdsmen wrought destruction and deaths on **Kujeni** village, Kajuru LGA, on the 23rd April, 2020.

They were attacked on the outskirts of Kujeni by a band of men fully dressed in Army uniform and also well armed. Among them were equally armed herdsmen who were herding away some cattle probably rustled from somewhere.

As the overpowered youths made bids to escape, some were rounded up and herded into the vast forest.

On April, 28th April, 2020, less than five hours after Kaduna State Commissioner of Internal Security and Homes Affairs held a stake holders meeting in Kajuru town between Adara leaders and their Fulani settlers among others, threatening to deal with any violent group, Fulani militia invaded in broad daylight, **Kikwari** community. Three persons were killed and the ECWA church in the community razed by the Fulani Muslim militia.

In **Atakad** Chiefdom, Fulani herdsmen, under the protection of their militia have taken over **Zangan District** in *Kaura LGA*. All the eight communities with about 8,000 populations are now IDPs with relations in adjoining towns and villages.

On 29th April, **Galiwyi** community in *Chikun LGA* came under invasion by herdsmen militia who chased away the men and turned their wives and daughters into sex slaves after occupying the community. This impunity lasted a week a fortnight ago, without any intervention from the authorities.

Similarly, in the recent past, many communities have suffered attacks like **Chawai** community in *Kauru LGA*, **Atakad** community in *Kaura LGA* and another community in *Sanga LGA*.

On May 7th, 2020, **Bakin Kogi** in Kajuru LGA was attacked. They burnt down the town and launched another assault on another village, **Idanu**. In the early hours of Wednesday, the murderous gang of terrorists moved to **Makyali** where several persons were killed.

On 18th May, 2020 in **Agwala** village, an old lady was mercilessly hacked to death. In total, these attacks have so far claimed 27 lives within 48 hours, while the injured have been taken to various medical facilities for attention. **Efele, Ungwan Modi and Ungwan Rana villages** were also attacked and hundreds of residents displaced.

Between 18th to 24th May, 30 persons were killed **Idon** ward of Kajuru LGA. The villagers were from the following villages: **Magunguna, Idazo, Unguwan Galadima, Unguwan Guza, Etissi, Unguwan Maaji, Unguwan Cantata, Unguwan Araha 1, Unguwan Araha 2, Unguwan Goshi, Unguwan Shaban, Unguwan Jibo, Unguwan Maijama'a, Unguwan Sako, Unguwan Maidoki and Unguwan Masaba, Libere and Mashigin Boka.**

Fulani residents of these communities had become hosts to strange Fulani who rode in on scores of motorbikes on the 18th May. Despite assurances by the local Fulani to their long time Adara hosts, that the unfriendly looking guest meant no harm to them it turned to be a ruse.

JUNE 2020

Around 5am, 3rd June, 2020, armed Fulani militia, sneaked into **Agwalla Magayaki and Tudun Agwalla** in Idon Ward, Kajuru LGA in Southern Kaduna, burning down homes, looting and leaving behind 9 corpses. They

are; *Kefas Yusuf, 30, married with 3 children; Richard Yusuf, 25; Fidelis Wada, 40, left behind two wives and 4 children; Kachia Simon, 30 father of 3 and Rose Soja, 39, mother 3 children.*

Others are: Genesis Soja, 11; Rahap Soja, 9; Victoria Gyata, 50, mother of 5 and Lovette Akayi, 10.

Victoria Soja was killed with her two children - Genesis and Rahab. We condemned in no small terms the continuous mass murders of our people and the destruction of our communities by Fulani militia.

There was a kidnap incident around **Mai-ido** village, *Kachia LGA* on Thursday 16th June, 2020. During the incident, four persons were killed and others injured. Three of those killed are John Auta, Danjuma Bala and Christopher Ayuba. Further more, more than 30 persons were abducted by the kidnappers.

On Friday 17th June, 2020, Mr. Edah Agiloh, a 34 yrs old man, married with 3 children from **Doka Avong** was killed by suspected fulani terrorists on his farm.

JULY 2020

17th July, 2020, Ayuba Bulus 40, of **Efele Doka Avong** village, in Kajuru LGA, went to his farm just outside the village. He was ambushed and killed. He was slaughtered like a ram. The distraught villagers buried him immediately.

In the middle of their sorrow, Rev. Thomas M. Tanko 48, of the village Baptist Church went to his farm around 3pm just at the edge of the village. Fulani militia who had earlier killed Bulus were laying in ambush among the grown maize in the farm. They descended on him with daggers and machetes. But he fought back screaming aloud for help. Rescue came, but not after he had sustained greivous injuries. He is now under intensive care in an undisclosed hospital.

Unknown to the villagers, worse was to come same day. The Fulani militia regrouped and returned in large numbers an hour later. The picture below is the mass graves with the corpses of two kids, a woman and a man killed in the attacked as summarized.

1. Gloria Shagari 25 years
2. Dorcas Shagari 6 years
3. Faith Shagari 3 years
4. Hussani Danda 40 years

HOUSE SET ON FIRE

- (1) Amos yakubu 2 Rooms
- (2) Shatta Galadima 2 Rooms
- (3) Mataimaki Galadima 1 Room (4) Friday jibo 5 Rooms
- (5) Linus Yusuf 3 Rooms
- (6) yohanna sabo 1 Room
- (7) Patrick sabo 1 Room
- (8) obasanjo korau 2 Rooms
- (9) Ezekiel Tanimu 3 Rooms

ZANGON KATAF MASSACRE

Under an ongoing 24 hours rigidly imposed curfew by the Kaduna State Government, in the early morning hours of Friday, 10th July, 2020, precisely around 1:30am Fulani herdsmen militia invaded a remote, peaceful farming Community called **Chibob** in Atyap Chiefdom, Gora ward of Zangon Kataf Local Government Area. This unprovoked attack ended in the massacre of Nine (9) Atyap natives, mostly women and children who were murdered in their sleep in the most barbaric manner imaginable. The invaders also burnt down over 20 houses, destroyed farmlands, rustled 24 cattle and other livestock, looted foodstuffs and other properties of the villagers.

As the curfew persisted, in the early morning hours of the following day, being Saturday the 11th July, 2020, these Fulani Militia continued their attacks on neighboring remote communities. In Particular, they attacked **Kigudu** community which is close to Chibob, located at the boundary between *Zangon Kataf and Kauru LGAs*. This led to the death of 10 women, an infant and an old man who were burnt to death inside a house they had taken refuge. Some of the corpses were burnt into ashes. Four homes were razed down by fire. This brought the death toll to twelve (12) in that community.

With the curfew still in rigid enforcement, **Anguwan Audu**, a *Surubu village*, still under Gora ward was invaded in the morning of 12th July, 2020. The village was looted and entirely burnt down and one person killed.

Then on the **Gora Gan** - an Atyap Village was attacked around 5pm, Monday, 20th July, 2020.

12 persons, mostly women and children were massacred by the Fulani militia, while 8 persons sustained fatal gunshot wounds.

This brought to a total death toll of 30 defenceless, innocent persons killed under a 24 hours military enforced curfew that is 43 days today (23rd, July, 2020).

On the Sunday 19th July, 2020, Fulani militia arrived the venue of a wedding party around 10pm in **Kukum Daji** village, near *Kagoro town*,

Kaura LGA and opened fire on the youths mostly aged 17-22 and killed 15 on the spot. The death toll today is 23, with 23 taken to hospital with various injuries.

On 22nd, July 2020, as it rained on **Kizachi-Chawai**, a far removed village bounded by hills, in Chawai chiefdom, Kauru LGA Kaduna State Fulani militia broke into homes, and attacked villagers with knives daggers and machetes'. The following people were killed:

- 1) Kefas Monday, 17yrs
 - 2) Lydia Monday, 14yrs
 - 3) Jummai, 9yrs 4) Giwa Thomas, 14yrs 5) Living Yohanna, 27yrs.
- Monday Ibrahim, 45, and Alheri Dauda 13, were seriously injured

Also, as it rained around 8pm, Thursday, 23rd July 2020 at **Agwala Magayaki of Doka Avong**, Kajuru LGA in Southern Kaduna, armed Fulani militia took advantage of the darkness and torrential rain and attacked the village for the second time in a month, leaving 6 persons dead and two fatally wounded.

Those killed in **Kajuru** are: John Mallam, 80; Albarka Mallam, 85; Jumare Sule, 76.

The rest are: Hannatu Garba 55; Thaddeus Albarka, 32
Luvinus Danmori, 52 and Daniel Mukadas, 70.

The fatally injured are Danmori Sule and Alheri Mandela.

It could be recalled that on the 20th June, 2020, the same village was invaded by the Fulani militia, some known by the villagers, and 7 persons were killed.

On the 25th July, 2020, around 6am, the grieving **Fanstwam natives of Zipkak**, a semi-urban town in *Fanstwam Chiefdom, Jemaa LGA in Southern*

Kaduna, were once again forced to flee for dear lives after armed Fulani militia sprang from nearby bushes and started shooting.

Fortunately, the youths of the community resisted the invaders and they

fled back without any harm to the distraught natives who were grieving the killing of 10 members of the town slain the previous evening. The militia had crept into the town around on 7pm, yesterday, Friday, 24th July, 2020 and rained bullets on the peaceful community. Thought **Zikpak** is just about two kilometers from the heart of Kafanchan where there are presence of Police and soldiers, the violent group had a field day.

After looting and vandalising the town, they burnt part of it and gruesomely murdered the following:

- 1)Joel Cephas, 5 yrs
- 2)Kingsley Raphael, 28
- 3) Katung kantiock 60
- 4) Luka Garba 75
- 5) Victor Ishaya 22
- 6)Madam Dakaci 52
- 7) Kuyet Yayock 25
- 8)Cecelia Audu 65
- 9)Matina Dauda 70
- 10)Yanasan Dauda 70

The following were fatally wounded: Mrs Jonathan Ishaya; Marthins Agang; Kassan Duniya; Jenifer Nicodemus and 5 years old Joel Cephas.

The Governor of Kaduna state immediately imposed a 24 hour curfew over the entire Jemmaa LGA.

It was under the curfew that the Fulani militia returned to wreck more havoc until the valiant youths of the community, with very crude weapons, repelled the cowards.

AUGUST 2020

On the 16th August, Pastor Adalchi Usman, 39 and father of 2 was murdered. Pastor Usman, who was pastor of ECWA Church, **Unguan /Madaki, Maro ward**, in Kajuru LGA in Southern part of Kaduna state, was ambushed while in a commercial vehicle he had boarded with three others. The killers came from the bush and just started shooting at the car. Also killed were, Mariah Na'Allah of Unguan Madaki; Shekari from

Unguwa Ali - a native of Anchuna village, Zangon Kataf LGA and Ezekiel Maikasa a native of Gadanaji in Kajuru LGA. The driver of the vehicle, Danlami Dariya was abducted. At the time of releasing this statement, his whereabouts was still unknown.

Then on the same night of 16th August, 2020, **Bugai** village near **Banikanwa** in *Kachia LGA* was attacked by armed Fulani militia. The village Head, Dan'azumi Musa, 67 was killed. His siblings, Aniya Musa, 60 including his very aged mother, Kande Musa, 97 and junior sister Angelina Irimiya, 45 were killed. Four members of a family wiped out!

Six others sustained grievous injuries. They are John Dan'azumi, Danbuzu Anita, and Blessing Soja. The rest are Patricia Anita, Precious Friday and Mercy Yohana. Part of the villages was burnt after the attackers looted the village.

On the 17th August, 2020, Mr Bulus Joseph, 48, father of 9 was murdered gruesomely on his farm at **Sabon Gida Idon** along Kaduna - Kachia road, in Kajuru LGA, by armed Fulani militia. He stood up to the killers so that his wife and 3 children could escape, which they did. But he paid the price with his life as he was sub-humanly butchered by the cold blooded murderers. The picture of his corpse is too horrid to be made public.

On 18th August, 2020, amidst a rigidly imposed punishing 24 hrs curfew that is 63 days today, armed Fulani militia invaded **Unguan Gankon** village in *Gora ward, Zangon Kataf LGA* and killed two persons and burnt 7 houses. Wary neighbors however came to the rescue and the murderers fled. The victims are Kefas Malachy Bobai, a 30 year old farmer and father of three and Miss Takama Paul, 16, a student. Though armed Nigeria troops arrived a bit late after the killers escaped, their prompt response was commendable, in much variance with the past.

On 24th August, 2020 Fulani militia invaded **Damba Kasaya**, Chikun LG,

Kaduna State attacked Prince Academy as school kids were attending lessons preparatory to JSS SCE.

Benjamin Auta, 35 and father of two was killed. The following were kidnapped

- Mr Shadrach Bako (Teacher) - age 28
- 2. Miss Miracle Danjuma - age 15
- 3. Miss Favour Danjuma - age 10
- 4. Miss Christiana Madugu (Teacher) - age 27
- 5. Miss Happiness Odoji - age 16

The First Baptist Church Damba Kasaya partially burnt down.

On 27th August, 2020, five incidents of kidnapping occurred including that of Daniel Shuaibu and Abednego Paul from their residence at **Maraban Kajuru**. During the operation, Mr. Sunday Barau was shot and injured and the abductees are still with their abductors because his helpless family has been unable to meet their demands. Another of the incidents is that of the abduction of Master Pius Gargai who was abducted from their family residence at **Maraban Rido**. He too is still with the kidnapers because of inability to meet their demands. All these Crimes Against Humanity of indigenous communities of Southern Kaduna are committed by Fulani militia, a fact well known by the Kaduna State & Federal Governments of Nigeria.

SEPTEMBER 2020

On 2nd September, 2020, four persons were abducted from **Rafin Roro** village in *Kasuwan Magani Ward of Kajuru LGA*. One of them managed to escape and three are still being held by the Fulani militia.

On 11th September, 2020 **Manyi-Mashin village**, in Zamandabo ward, in Atyap Chiefdom, Zangon Kataf Local Government Area (LGA) in Southern

Kaduna, was invaded by hordes of Fulani armed men who burnt down almost all the houses in the village, looting and carting away valuables. Two persons were burnt in their homes beyond recognition: They are Cecilia Ishaya, 62, a widow and mother of 6 children and Iliya Sunday, 56, who left behind 8 children. Though men of Operation Safe Heaven promptly responded, the militia fled before their arrival.

This was after Fulani militia on the 8th September, 2020 lay ambush for three Atyap youths from **Atakmawai** in same, Zamandabo Ward in Atyap Chiefdom, as they went to clear weed in their Sugar cane farm about a kilometer from their village.

Suddenly, armed herdsmen came from hiding and struck. They descended on them with daggers and machetes. Anthony Magaji, 25, a final year HND student with Nuhu Bamali Polytechnic, Zaria, was hacked down. They axed his neck and head and inflicted macabre wounds on him which killed him instantly. Isaac Thomas, 24, also an OND student of the same School, managed to escape with life threatening injuries and is now under intensive care in a hospital, while the third escaped with less injury.

Meanwhile, we have received complains of farmers in **Gora** axis of Atyap Chiefdom, who say that Fulani men occasional sneak into their farms destroy large swath of growing food crops, thus leaving them with a bleak prospect of hunger in the near future. All these gory development is taking place after a much publicized peace deal was reached between natives of Atyap Chiefdom on one side and their long time settled Hausa and Fulani representatives on 23rd August, 2020 in **Ungwan Wakili**, close to Zangon Kataf town.

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On the 7th August, 2020 the following villages were attacked in one night with recorded casualties.

KURMIN MASARA

- 1.Luka Duniya
- 2.Peter Reuben
- 3.Monday Daniel

ATAKMAWAI

- 1.Mary Ado
- 2.Ezekiel Ado
- 3.Monday Ado
- 4.Nma Julius
- 5.Akan Ayei
- 6.Isreal Yakubu
- 7.Joel Ayuba
- 8.Alice Samuel
- 9.Ladi Mathias
- 10.Vincent Simon

KIBORI

- 1.Mba Aboi Tela
- 2.Yashim Joseph
- 3.Victor Usman
- 4.Ezekiel Duniya
- 5.Jude Dauda
- 6.John Achi
- 7.Bege Joshua

MAGAMIYA

- 1.Jerry Yakuba
- 2.Jessy Yakubu
- 3.Amako Tachio
- 4.Nkoo Dabo

SAMARU

- 1.Denis Ayuba

INJURED PERSONS

- 1.Tyusan Andrew
- 2.Jethro Joshua

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On 17th November, 2020, the District Head of **Ma'zaki**, Haruna Kuye and his 9 year old son, Destiny Haruna were brutally murdered by armed men believed to be Fulani in his home.

Similarly, on the 8th of September, 2020, an attack was launched again by Fulani militias at **Kitsarapang** village in **Kizachi Chiwo** of *Kizachi community, Tsam Chiefdom in Kauru LGA* in the Southern part of Kaduna state, Nigeria.

The attack claimed the life of Emmanuel David Yohanna, 13 leaving two persons grievously with gunshots. They are: Sunday Zango Stephen, 48 and Zakka John, 23.

The two victims are now receiving treatment at a Hospital in Jos.

Meanwhile, three decomposing corpses were found on Kaduna-Abuja highway on Sunday, 6th September, 2020. They were among four persons that were abducted during a brazen operation last week at **Maraban Rido**, a suburb of Kaduna under Chikun LGA all in Southern Kaduna. They were killed after ransom was paid for their released. Among them is Pius Gargai, 20, married with a child. He was a nephew of the current 1st Vice President of SOKAPU, Mr. Dio Maisamari. The young man was buried that Wednesday in his native home Kufana, Kajuru LGA. The names of the other victims are yet to reach us.

These bring to 8, the number of our members grisly killed by armed Fulani militia within five days in Southern Kaduna in an ongoing genocide against the natives of Southern Kadunaa

On Sunday, 11th October, 2020 armed personnel of Operation Safe Haven (OpSH) killed Emmanuel Nuhu - a 200 level student of Kaduna State College of Education, Gidan Waya during a peaceful demonstration in **Fadan Karshi** junction town, *Sanga LGA* in Southern Kaduna. It was a peaceful demonstration staged by the youths of the town against an unofficial curfew imposed over the town by OpSH made up of the military and paramilitary personnel since June this year. His female married cousin, Mrs Tina Julius, 34 and mother of four children was shot dead during the peaceful protest.

Our findings showed that the curfew was enforced with severe brutality that spared not even elderly and respectable members of the small town who found themselves outside during the 6pm - 6am curfew hours. Yet, there had been no case of any breach of public peace in Fadan Karshi for years now.

It was based on the negative consequences of the over three months curfew that youths of the town staged a peaceful protest to the palace of the District Head of Fadan Karshi, Reverend (Dr.) Joel

Galadima (retired), last Sunday afternoon, calling on him to appeal to Operation Safe Heaven stationed in the area to lift the curfew.

In the process, armed members of Operation Safe Haven appeared at the scene.

Our investigation showed that about a week earlier, Emmanuel Nuhu was severely brutalized by soldiers of the OpSH during a misunderstanding between him and some other person, after which his dad, a poor farmer, who is hardly literate, treated his son of the injuries he sustained and left the rest to God, as he narrated to SOKAPU.

When the OpSH arrived the scene of the peaceful demonstration, a soldier (who residents say is notorious for his brutality and can identify him any time) sighted Emmanuel Nuhu. He cocked his gun and fired at the unarmed youth. The bullet hit him, but he managed to make a dash to the nearest wall. Before he could scale the wall, another bullet got him on the leg as the youths scampered into safety in panic.

Tina Julius, on seeing that her cousin was shot, started screaming hysterically. This seemed to have irritated another armed OpSH personnel (a mobile police man) who also cocked his gun and shot the mother of four children in the head and she died on the spot. Meanwhile the soldier that had earlier shot Nuhu followed him into the compound of late Silas Jamu (over whose wall he had jumped into) and found him helpless in the pool of his blood. He shot him again in the heart and finished him up.

The OpSH team then left. After their grisly murder, the youths became livid and became violent. They burnt down the palace of the District Head and a police vehicle and mounted roadblocks in anger, which SOKAPU does not support.

In an unending spiral of violence over Southern Communities, armed gunmen, identified as Fulani by affected natives, yesterday evening (17th December, 2020) struck **Gora Gan** village, in Atyap Chiefdom, Zangon Kataf Local Government Area (LGA) of Kaduna state and

wiped out five members of a family and killed two others. The invaders also burnt down 17 houses in the village and destroyed other assets. The victims are: Ayuba Sheyin, 65; Jummai Sheyin, 55; Patience Sheyin, 5; Goodluck Sheyin, 11 and Saviour Sheyin, 14. They are all of the same household.

The rest are: Peter Akau, 70 and Joel Ishaya 35.

At least 17 homes were razed by the attackers.

This will register as one of other attacks on the Atyap Chiefdom after a much celebrated and publicized peace accord was reached between elites of Atyap natives and their long time settled Hausa/Fulani communities in August this year.

It could be recalled that on 15th November, 2020, the District Head of **Ma'Zaki**, in Atyap Chiefdom, Mr Haruna Kuye, was murdered along with his 9-year-old son, Destiny Haruna, while his wife and daughter survived with severe injuries inflicted on them.

On Thursday, 17th December, 2020, armed men paired on four motor bikes

stormed **Kujeni Tudu** in Kajuru LGA of Kaduna state and attacked the Adara village, killing an elderly man, Bala Umaru, 75 and looted the village. In the pandemonium that ensued 4 persons are still missing up to the time of writing this statement. They are: Dada Bulus, 55, Peter Tanko, 43, Buba Yakubu 51 and Emma Dauda, 38.

This means that in one day 8 Southern Kaduna natives were killed in a genocidal campaign against our people by armed militia who every surviving victim of the violence always identifies as Fulani.

Information reaching SOKAPU says that four of the Gora Gan invaders were killed by troops of Operation Safe Haven who came for rescue and that some carry identity cards showing where they come from. But, that we cannot confirm this as their corpses were not displayed. If the above assertion is true, then the government should have no reason not to use this information for a holistic investigation on the fleeing murderers and unravel those behind them and their motives.

On the 21st December, 2020, Fulani militia Bandits attacked **Gbaji** Community, **Katarma** Chikun Local Government Kaduna State killing 7 people and injured 4 people as follow:

1. Samson Hassan
2. Nuhu Hassan

3.Ali Hassan
4. Tsoho Wasa
5.Gabriel Ahmadu 6.Dogara Sarki 7.Shekwolo Yohanna.
and injured are; 1.Zamai
Pada,
2.Nuhu Bulus,
3.Bani Sarki
4 Isa'ac Danjuma
Kaduna state government has officially acknowledged this violence.

On the 7th January, 2021, Fulani militia attacked **Katarma** village in Chikun LGA and killed 4.
and destroyed properties and looted the village. . names of those killed are Kefas Auta, Lawal Ali, Hassan zarmai, and Bulus Barde

With the curfew still in rigid enforcement, **Anguwan Audu**, a Surubu village, still under Gora ward was invaded this morning of 12th July, 2020, was the village was looted and entirely burnt and one person killed.

Then **Gora Gan** - an Atyap Village - was attacked around 5pm, Monday, 20th July, 2020.

12 persons, mostly women and children were massacred by the Fulani Militia, while 8 persons sustained fatal gunshots wounds.

This brought to a total, death toll of 30 defenceless, innocent persons killed under a 24 hours military enforced curfew that is 43 days today (23rd, July, 2020).

On the 7th August, 2020 the following villages were attacked in one night with recorded casualties.

KURMIN MASARA

1.Luka Duniya
2.Peter Reuben

3.Monday Daniel

ATAKMAWAI

- 1.Mary Ado
- 2.Ezekiel Ado
- 3.Monday Ado
- 4.Nma Julius
- 5.Akan Ayei
- 6.Isreal Yakubu
- 7.Joel Ayuba
- 8.Alice Samuel
- 9.Ladi Mathias
- 10.Vincent Simon

KIBORI

- 1.Mba Aboi Tela
- 2.Yashim Joseph
- 3.Victor Usman
- 4.Ezekiel Duniya
- 5.Jude Dauda
- 6.John Achi
- 7.Bege Joshua

MAGAMIYA

- 1.Jerry Yakuba
- 2.Jessy Yakubu
- 3.Amako Tachio
- 4.Nkoo Dabo

SAMARU

- 1.Denis Ayuba

INJURED PERSONS

- 1.Tyusan Andrew
- 2.Jethro Joshua

On 18th August, 2020, amidst a rigidly imposed punishing 24 hrs curfew that is 63 days today, armed Fulani militia invaded Unguwan Gankon

village in Gora ward, Zangon Kataf LGA and killed two persons and burnt 7 houses. Wary neighbors however came to the rescue and the murderers fled. The name of the victim are Kefas Malachy Bobai, a 30 year old farmer and father of three and Miss Takama Paul, 16, a student.

Though armed Nigeria troops arrived a bit late after the killers escaped, their prompt response is very commendable as it is in far variance with the past.

On 11th September, 2020 **Manyi-Mashin** village, in Zamandabo ward, in

Atyap Chieftdom, Zangon Kataf Local Government Area (LGA) in Southern

Kaduna, was invaded by hordes of Fulani armed men who burnt down almost all the houses in the village, looting and carting away valuables. Two persons were burnt in their homes beyond recognition: They are Cecilia Ishaya, 62, a widow and mother of 6 children and Iliya Sunday, 56, who left behind 8 children. Though men of Operation Safe Heaven promptly responded, the militia fled before their arrival.

This was after Fulani militia on the 8th September, 2020 lay ambush for three Atyap youths from **Atakmawei** in same, *Zamandabo Ward in Atyap Chieftdom*, as they went to clear weed in their Sugar cane farm about a kilometer from their village.

Suddenly, armed herdsmen came from hiding and struck. They descended on them with daggers and machetes. Anthony Magaji, 25, a final year HND student with Nuhu Bamali Polytechnic, Zaria, was hacked down. They axed his neck and head and inflicted macabre wounds on him which killed him instantly. Isaac Thomas, 24, also an OND student of the same School, managed to escape with life threatening injuries and is now under intensive care in a hospital, while the third escaped with less injury.

Meanwhile, we have received complains of farmers in Gora axis of Atyap Chieftdom, who say that Fulani men occasional sneak into their

farms destroy large swath of growing food crops, thus leaving them with a bleak prospect of hunger in the near future. All these gory development is taking place after a much publicized peace deal was reached between natives of Atyap Chiefdom on one side and their long time settled Hausa and Fulani representatives on 23rd August, 2020 in Unguwan Wakili, close to Zangon Kataf town.

On 17th November, 2020, the District Head of **Ma'zaki**, Haruna Kuye and his 9 year old son, Destiny Haruna were brutal murdered by armed men believed to be Fulani in his home.

On 17th December, 2020, Gora Gan was attacked again leaving a casualty figure of 10. Five persons from a single family were murdered. A total of 20 homes were burnt after being looted.

The next day, **Piabun**, less than a km away was attacked and one person killed.

In Summary, not less than 76 Atyap natives have been killed. Not less than 224 homes were burnt and at least 20 severely injured in the siege over **Atyap** land from July 2020.

1st January, 2021

Armed Fulani herdsmen attacked **D/Gaiya** in Kajuru Ward, Kajuru LGA and

killed Dimka Bahago, 46, married with 4 children and another farmer, SiIas Ishaya

On 26th January, 2021, .Nuhu Ishaya, 35, and Yakubu Ishaya, 28, killed on their famrs at **Janwuriya**, Tantau ward, Kajuru LGA.

Thursday 28th January 2021

Armed Fulani attacked Kujama area of Chikun LGA, and were repelled by local vigilantes.

However, as they retreated to their hideouts, the bandits attacked **Janwuriya** village in Kajuru local government area, and killed 2 brothers, Nuhu Ishaya and Yakubu Ishaya.

In a separate incident, Herdmen invaded **Maraban Kajuru**, also in Kajuru local government area and killed one resident, Samiru Na Ya'u.

On 30th January, 2021, Gunmen abduct 21 persons along Kaduna-Kachia road.

In the late hour of Friday, armed men who came in large numbers dressed in military uniforms abducted the 21 persons at **Idon** village in Kajuru Local Government Area of Kaduna State.

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Monday 1st February 2021

Armed herdsmen ambushed an Atyap village called **Wawan Rafi** village, Zangon Kataf local government area killed two persons for no apparent reason.

The victims are John Isah and Abraham Isah all of the same parents. Two sustained serious injuries. They are:
Fidelix Jacob and Philemon Adamu.

Tuesday 9th February 2021

Again, armed Fulani militia attacked **Kishisho** village, Kauru LGA in Southern Kaduna from a neighboring state killed 5 persons, listed as:

Danlami Sunday

Abbas Abou

Sati Yakubu

Shaba John

John Francis

In Chikun LGA 5 citizens were killed by Fulani armed men in **Gwagwada-Kasaya** village in Kunai ward. They are:

Habila Ibrahim
Samaila Audu
John Musa
Birnin Aboki
Ali Aboki

Similarly, in **Agwa**, Chikun LGA, one Bitrus Joseph was shot dead in an attack by bandits.

Wednesday 24th February 2021.

On this day, Fulani militia attacked **Barinje** village in Chikun LGA killing 8 persons listed below:

- Sunday Gwamna
- Lawal Jizo
- Salha Barau
- Sabo Barau
- Umaru Barau
- Muhammadu Dan Azumi
- Zailani Dogara
- Jikan Gambo

12 residents were abducted, and 25 cattle rustled during the attack.

11 number were injured were receiving treatment in hospital.

Wednesday 24th February 2021.

In the ongoing genocidal campaigns by Fulani militia in Southern Kaduna,

Barinje village in Chikun was again attacked, with eight persons killed, listed as:

- Sunday Gwamna
- Lawal Jizo
- Salha Barau
- Sabo Barau
- Umaru Barau
- Muhammadu Dan Azumi

-Zailani Dogara

-Jikan Gambo

10 residents were abducted, and 23 cattle rustled during the attack. 7 persons were injured victims. Some are still receiving treatment in hospital.

6th February,2021

Kujeni village, in *Adara land*, which was attacked for the 5th time within a year was again invaded by armed Fulani herdsmen, who killed five persons and burnt down the village again.

On 27th February, 2021

At night, armed Fulani herdsmen attacked **Kutura** Station, Iri Ward Kajuru LGA and killed a Catholic Priest, Rev Fr. Michael in his home. Danladi Shaban and Clement Auta were also killed same night and location. The armed men then kidnapped: Rev. Emma Maigoro of ECWA

Church of the village and his wife. Also, Dominic Ahmadu and Mrs Danboyi Dominic were also kidnapped.

Monday 1st March 2021

Even after several 'peace' agreement between Atyap Chiefdom and Fulani in Zangon Kataf, an Atyap village, **Kurmin Gandu** was attacked by armed herdsmen killing the following:

Ishaya Aboi, Regina Ishaya, Goodluck Dauda, Joseph Adamu and Hassan Joseph. This will be the 8th similar invasions on Atyap Communities after at least 6 of such agreements since August 2020.

10 houses were razed completely, two motorcycles and 500 bags of ginger were set ablaze. Some dry season farmers lost water pumping machines and other valuables too.

7 persons suffered various forms of injuries.

On the same day, armed herdsmen attacked **Sabon Gayan** village in Chikun LGA and murdered four persons:

- Ashahabu Abubakar
- Ado Rilwanu

- Sabo Iliya
- Mannaseh Matthias Danjuma

Thursday, 18th March, 2021

Fulanis in their hundreds invaded **Masaka-Damba Kasaya** of Kunai Ward, Chikun LGA. They invaded the community around 11.11pm. During the attack they shot 2 people and kidnapped so many other people, but with the arrival of Army some kidnapped were rescued by the Army. They also abandoned some motorcycles that they were taking away from the said community when they saw the Army. The exact number of those still in their hands is estimated at 17. The 2 persons they shot during the attack were rushed to the hospital

Friday 19th March 2021.

This marks again, one of the tragic nights in Southern Kaduna this year. Fulani herdsmen believed to be over 300 attacked **Kizachi** village, a **Tsam** community in Chawai Chiefdom of Kauru LGA and killed 12 people, mostly women and children. Most of them were trapped into rooms and set ablaze. A one year old baby was cut with a machete before set ablaze. Village youths put a strong defense, but were overpowered. 17 of them survived with gunshot injuries. For the three hours the Killers attacked, soldiers and security operatives did not arrive despite repeated distress calls. 65 houses were burnt, 8 motorcycles, 16 cows were stolen and numerous valuables were lost to the murderers. This is the fifth time Kizachi would be attacked in one year.

Those killed are listed as:

- Esther Bulus
- Maria Bulus (one-year-old daughter of Esther)
- Lami Bulus
- Aliyu Bulus
- Monday Joseph
- Geje Abuba
- Wakili Filibus - Yakubu Ali.
- Dije Waziri
- Joseph Ibrahim

-Saraya Joseph

- Mariamu Sunday

Tsam land has been under daily siege by Fulani who find the neighboring hilly plateau state a safe haven.

Friday 19th March 2021.

On the same day, armed Fulani men attacked one Irmiya Godwin and his brother as they returned from their farm in **Gora Gan** village of Zangon Kataf LGA. Irmiya Godwin was killed, while his brother escaped.

Furthermore, **Masaka** village in Chikun local government was attacked. One Duza Bamaiyi was killed, and two other persons were injured.

Similarly, Fulani armed men killed one Zakka Pada in **Kurmin Kaduna** of Chikun local government area, and left one Pada Dalle injured.

In every 24 hours at least one Southern Kaduna Community is attacked.

13th April, 2021

72 Adara villagers from Libere Gari Village, Kallah ward, Kajuru LGA in Southern part of Kaduna State on this night were kidnapped by persons identified by the villagers as armed Fulani militia. The gunmen who arrived at the village around 11pm went about shooting in the air to scare the villagers as they captured their victims from compound to compound. They spent *two hours* unchallenged. *At the time of writing this report, the kidnappers were asking for N350m to release the 51 females and 21 males in their custody.*

18th April, 2021.

Haske Baptist Church, Manini, in Kuriga, in Chukun LGA was attacked while service was going on around 9am. A Medical doctor, Dr Zakaria Dogon Yaro, his daughter, Rose Zakariya were kidnapped. We have no knowledge where they are as the time of writing this report.

19th April, 2021

Kaso village, an outskirt of Kaduna town in Chikun LGA had been *under steady siege by armed herdsmen for two weeks with villagers putting on resistance as government forces did little to help.*

On 19th of April, gunmen invaded a village in part of Kaso called **Chikwany** or **Ramin Kura**. Kakau ward, Chukun LGA in broad daylight and overpowered the residents and them out then looted the village dry.

On the 20th April, 2021.

They came to another settlement called **Wakwo** close to Kaso robbed the village of food, 12 motorcycles and rustled 34 cows and left unchallenged with other valuables.

On the **21 April, 2021**, they came back to the same **Rimin Kaso** in a day time. They followed house to house and they completely ransacked the entire village. *ALL the women that were (73 including female children below 10) at home were eventually raped including nursing mothers.*

On the **22nd April, 2021** the impunity continued as the villagers have been too weakened and traumatised to defend themselves. The armed herdsmen gunmen returned to Wako around 9:30pm. When the villagers notice their presence, they raised alarm, some were able to escape. Though in the process of this attack one man was killed. Because these attacks kept occurring, the people were left with no option than to leave the village.

Not less than 10,000 Gbagyi natives from the affected villages of, **Rimin Kaso, Kurmin Kaso, Shegi (Janwuriya) Kaso and Wako-Kaso** have fled into various places as IDPs.

On the **4th May, 2021** armed herdsmen entered **Doka Avong**, Idon ward, Kajuru LGA and kidnapped 7 persons and killed one.

On the 31st May, 2021, armed herdsmen killed 5 persons in **Goska** village, in *Jemaa LGA*, on their farms

On the **2nd June, 2021**, **Godogodo**, in Godogodo Ward, Jemaa LGA was attacked and one Ayuba Ezekeil, 49, an artisan builder married with five children was shot and killed by armed herdsmen.

On **4th June, 2021**, a Gbagyi community, called **Kabai**, in *Kakkau ward, Chikun LGA* was attacked around 1pm under the hot sun, even as the village is by the Kaduna-Abuja highway that is supposed to be patrolled by Nigerian troops always. **Zaka Kure, 32 and Dare Dauda, 50 were shot dead. The Church of God's Assembly and many homes were burnt into rubbles and the armed herdsmen escaped without any intervention of Government security agencies.**

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NOTE: *The above listed 109 communities are yet to be taken back by the Nigeria Government Armed Forces and returned to the indigenous displaced people, now scattered among scores of sympathetic individuals, Church missions, NGOs & communities across towns and states of the country. No aid whatsoever has been extended to the displaced persons and communities by the Buhari Regime or Kaduna State Government.*

The intentional act of war, using the deliberate strategy of starvation is well recognized by the Federal Government, who have shown unwillingness to exert the military might of the country against invading rag-tag ethnic-religious militia engaged from 14 countries (enlisting Fulani Militia/ Foot soldiers) across the Maghreb (Morocco, Mauritania, Libya, Tunisia, Algeria then stretching from Senegal, Guinea, Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger, Chad, Northern Cameroon in West Africa to Central African Republic, Sudan & Somalia.