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The Nigerian government has designated a new group, "Darul Salam" as a terror group, while insurgents and Fulani militia continue to carry out pockets across the Northern regions of the country.

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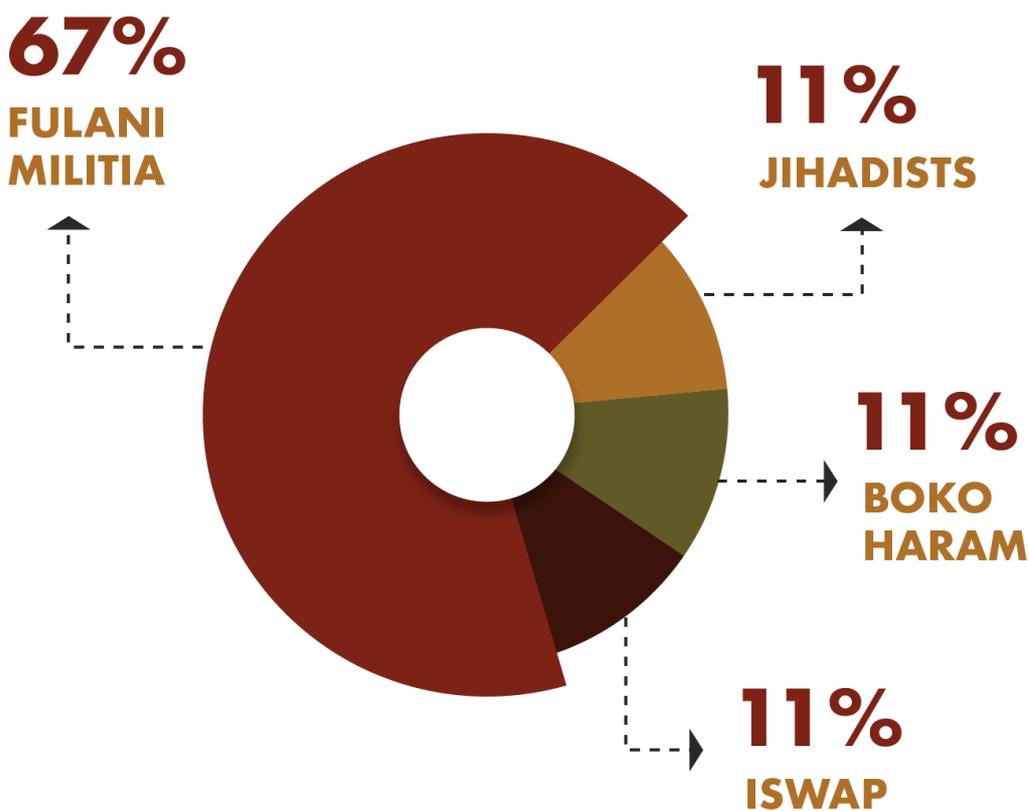
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PRIMARY ACTORS

Fulani militias are the leading perpetrators of violent killings in Nigeria today, as data showed. Boko Haram insurgents have also escalated their attacks in recent weeks killing civilians and military personnel.



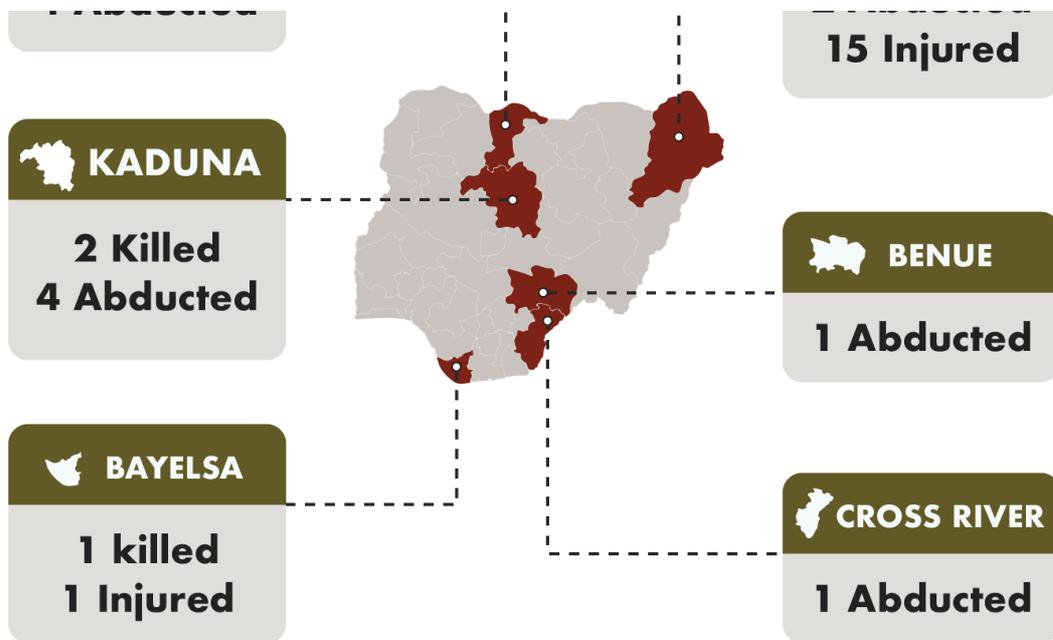
ATROCITIES

 **KASTINA**

1 Killed
4 Abducted

 **BORNO**

6 Killed
2 Abducted



Our field researchers are working round the clock to capture accurate and verified data on the daily atrocities been perpetrated by religious extremists, local militias and insurgents.

10 KILLED

16 INJURED

13 ABDUCTED

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Weekly Stories Update



Terrorist Designation.

Nigeria Govt. Designate ‘Darul Salam’ a Terror Group.

An Islamic group Daru Salam that became known first in 2009 in Niger state, has now been designated a terror group by the Nigeria Government after about 410 of its members surrender to the Nigerian military on 25 August 2020” in Toto local government, Nasarawa State, about 140 kilometers from Abuja.

In May, the Governor of Nasarawa State, Abdullahi Sule, had raised an alarm on the reemergence of the Darus Salam sect and attributed recent kidnappings and violent crimes in the state to the group.

So, during an operation by the Nigerian military to clear the group from their location, an explosive making facility was discovered, according to Major-General John Eneche, the coordinator of Defence Media Operations who said in a statement that not less than 410 members of the Darul Salam terrorist

group, including women and children, surrendered to the troops during the operation.

“Following aggressive intensive kinetic operations at identified bandits’ enclaves, not less than 410 members of the Darul Salam terrorist group, including women and children, surrendered to the troops of Operation Whirl stroke and other security agencies deployed at Uttu in Toto Local Government Area of Nasarawa State,” Enenche said.

The Defence Media Operations spokesperson confirmed in the statement that troops of Operation Whirl Stroke on August 26, stormed a Darul Salam terrorists' bomb-making factory following actionable technical and human intelligence on the activities of the terrorists in the general area.

He further disclosed that the troops in the operation's course, “recovered several Improvised Explosive Device making materials, including two scales, six rocket launcher bombs, one bag of fertilizer, half a bag of gunpowder, 10 locally made hand grenades, one Rocket-Propelled Grenade bomb fuse, one locally-made rocket launcher, two Improvised Explosive Devices, 13 improvised rocket bombs, amongst others.



Insurgency.

Gunmen Kill 6, Abducts Many in Niger State

A police officer and five others were on Wednesday evening, 2nd August, killed in Kagara town the council headquarters of Rafi local government of area of Niger State.

While the state government, in a press statement, confirmed the incident, calling for calm, saying the government is deploying all resources at its disposal to ensure the protection of lives and property, residents say Wednesday's attack was the third this year.

Residents said gunmen numbering about 100 stormed the town on motorcycles, wielding sophisticated weapons. They said the assailants rode straight to a First Bank branch and engaged armed security personnel in a firefight.

One police officer was shot dead, and many other residents injured. The gunmen also abducted many residents during the attack, a source said, asking not to be named for security reasons.

The gunmen launched the attack around 6 pm intending to rob the bank, and operated unchallenged for hours, despite the efforts of residents to notify the relevant security agencies about the attack, sources said.



Terrorist Strike.

Boko Haram killed 13 district heads, other leaders – Shehu of Borno

The Shehu of Borno, Alhaji Garbai El Kanemi, has lamented that 13 district heads and several ward heads (Bulamas) have been killed in his emirate at the peak of the ongoing crisis by the Boko Haram terrorist group.

The monarch made the disclosure in Maiduguri on 1st September 2020 during a courtesy visit by a delegation of the Senate Committee on Special Duties, led by Senator Abubakar Yusuf, who was in Borno State to assess the performance of the North-East Development Commission.

El Kanemi lamented that the decade-old crisis had also displaced thousands of people, who were now taking refuge in displaced persons' camps across the state. He claimed that the crisis started in the state in July 2009 following a disagreement between the Izala and Yusufiya Islamic sects.

El Kanemi lamented that the crisis later snowballed into attacks on police stations and the stealing of ammunition from police formations.

“Gradually, they moved their operations from Maiduguri to local government headquarters and other towns within Borno. In the course of their operations, the emirate council lost about 13 district heads in addition to many ward heads, who were killed in their respective domains.



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