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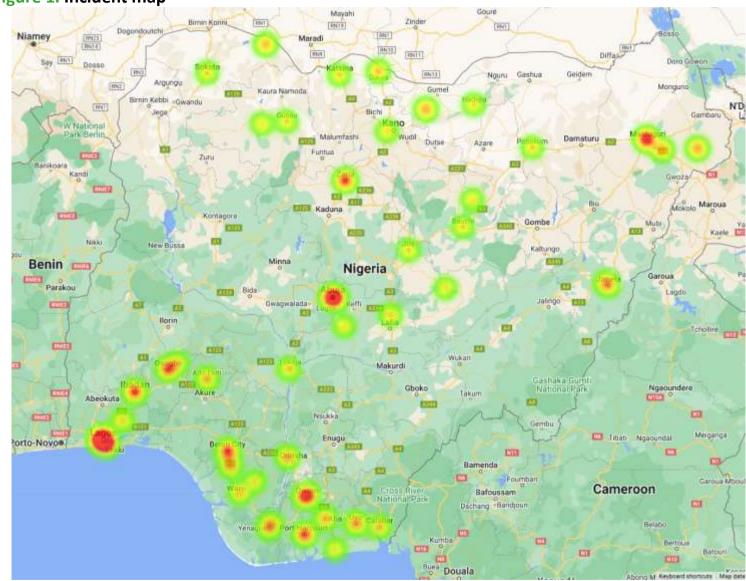
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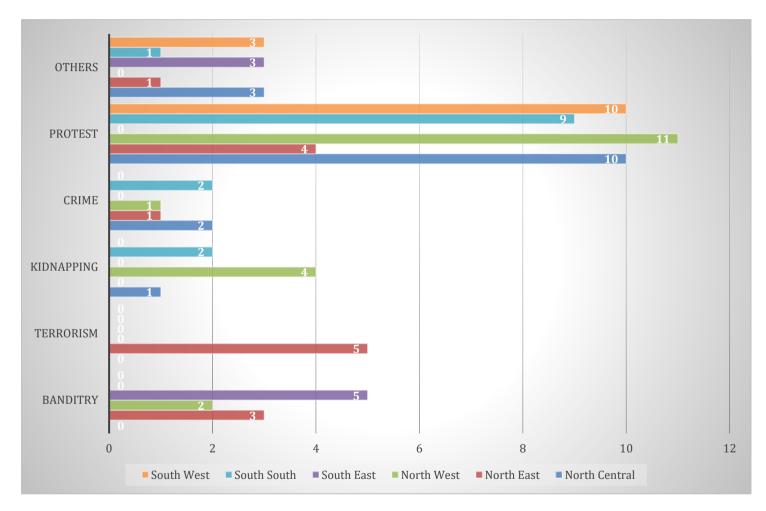
# **Executive Summary**

# **Countrywide Incidents for the Week**

- **1.** MTN users protested nationwide after the telecom blocked their mobile numbers.
- **2.** Nationwide protests tagged #EndBadGovernance, commenced on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2024.
- 3. 19 Fatalities were reported from an IED attack in Borno state.
- 4. Several states imposed 24-hour curfew and movement restrictions on 1<sup>st</sup> August







#### Figure 2. Graph portraying incident types per region

# **Weekly Statistics**

Figure 3.



Risk map showing killed victims

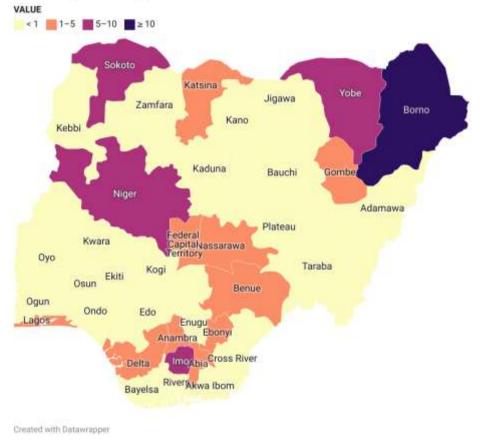


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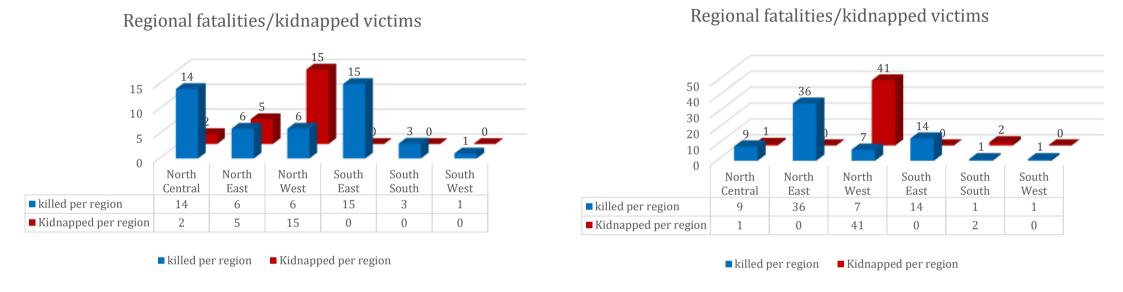
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The above risk maps show locations where citizens were killed and kidnapped in the reporting week. Figure 3 represents areas where abductions occurred, while Figure 4 reflects locations with recorded fatalities.

# Weekly trend analysis

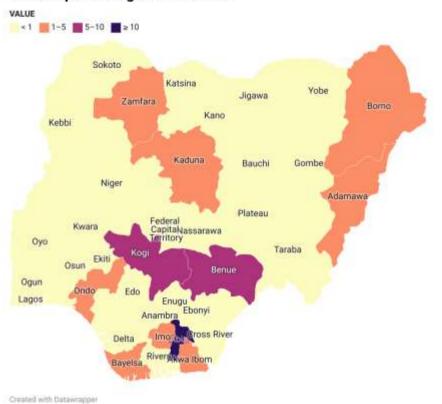
Figure 5. Week 30

#### Figure 6. Week 31



The figures above show a bar chart contrasting the statistics from the total number of fatalities/kidnapped individuals between week 30 and week 31. The figures show regions where conflict-related fatalities were high and low, also capturing regions with high/low numbers of kidnapped victims. The blue bar represents the number of persons killed, while the dark red represents kidnapped victims.

#### Figure 7. Week 30



#### **Risk map showing killed victims**

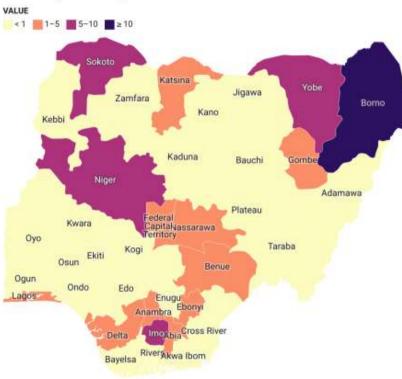


Figure 8. Week 31

Risk map showing killed victims

The above figure shows a risk map contrasting areas where fatalities occurred in the country. The contrast between week 30 and week 31 helps spot the progression of conflict-related fatalities and shows areas where fatalities occurred the most and least. The color intensity and lightness depict areas with the least and most fatalities. Based on the above map, there was an overall increase in fatalities, with Borno state having the most fatalities nationwide.

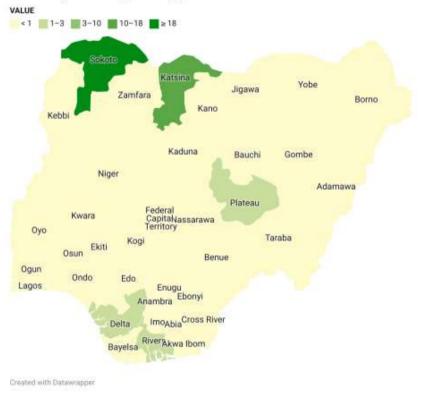
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#### Figure 9. Week 30

Figure 10. Week 31



Risk map showing kidnapped victims



The above figure captures areas where victims fall into kidnapping threats the most or least. In week 31, most kidnapped victims were from Sokoto state. This is most likely because kidnap incidents were underreported in other states during the week.

#### **NORTH CENTRAL (NC) - Summary**

Analysis – During the week, the number of fatalities decreased slightly with 9 fatalities recorded, while the count of kidnapping victims decreased significantly, with a single victim.

The North Central region experienced a significant increase in reported incidents, from 6 the previous week to 16 this week. Critical threats include armed attacks, robbery, kidnapping, protests, and gang violence. This week, nationwide protests intensified, particularly related to the ongoing economic crisis, with significant incidents recorded across multiple regions. On 1st and 2nd August 2024, major demonstrations erupted in Abuja, Plateau, and Niger states, with protesters demanding President Bola Tinubu address the nation's hardships. In Abuja, tensions escalated as security forces clashed with demonstrators at Eagle Square and Gwagwalada, leading to the reported shooting of a protester. The protests in Niger state turned violent, with at least six fatalities reported in Suleja and Tafa local government areas, following confrontations between security operatives and protesters. Hoodlums also hijacked the protests in Abuja, causing additional unrest and property damage, including the burning of vehicles and part of the Tafa LGA secretariat.

Other security incidents unrelated to the protests also occurred. On 30th July 2024, a gunman was killed by Government Security Forces (GSF) in Gbeji-Afia, Ukum LGA, Benue state during a firefight. Additionally, Nasarawa state saw a violent clash between the "Aye" and "Vikings" cult gangs in Mararaba, resulting in multiple injuries. In Jos South LGA, Plateau state, armed men abducted a resident, demanding a 15-million-naira ransom for his release. These incidents highlight ongoing security challenges in the region, compounding the overall sense of instability. Further incidents include the killing of Mr. Aje by suspected Tiv youths in Keana, Nasarawa state on 29th July 2024, and an armed robbery attack on the Special Adviser on Digital Media and Strategy to the Niger State Governor at Kure Market, Chanchaga LGA, Niger state.

## **NORTH CENTRAL (NC) – Incident List**

**02** August 2024 – Protesters blocked major roads in Jos, the Plateau capital, urging President Bola Tinubu to address Nigerians over the hardships in the country. The number of protesters for the #EndBadGovernance# protest has increased significantly, compared to Thursday, the first day of the protest.

**02** August 2024 – Armed security operatives halted protesters marching to Eagle Square from MKO Abiola National Stadium at the Central Business District junction near the United Nations building, Abuja, firing teargas canisters to disperse the crowd. One protester is feared shot dead while trying to escape.

**02** August 2024 – Security agencies have clashed with #EndBadGovernance protesters in the Gwagwalada area of the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), Abuja. The protesters had barricaded the main Lokoja – Abuja Expressway preventing vehicular movement in the area.

**01** August 2024 – Citizens have reportedly gathered at the MKO Abiola Stadium in FCT to protest against bad governance. Localized traffic disruption is anticipated in the area, however, security forces are confirmed at the location.

**01** August 2024 – The ongoing protests by Nigerian youths against hunger and hardship in the country have been hijacked by hoodlums in the Federal Capital Territory, FCT, Abuja.

**01** August 2024 – The Niger State Police Command has confirmed the arrest of 11 hoodlums in connection with the burning of part of the Tafa LGA secretariat, Niger state during the #endbadgovernanceprotest on Thursday. He said two cars were also set ablaze while two others were vandalized, adding that the hoodlums stole valuables.

**01** August 2024 – At least six people have been reportedly killed while some sustained injuries in the ongoing protest in the Suleja and Tafa local government areas of Niger State. The victims were killed while security operatives were struggling to dislodge a group of protesters who mounted barricades on a section of the Abuja-Kaduna highway.

**01** August 2024 – The popular Mararaba junction, in Karu Local Government Area, Nasarawa State was in chaos on Thursday as angry protesters and hoodlums blocked the road and burned tyres. The protesters and hoodlums, who hindered motorists from accessing the road, were seen holding placards and leaves.

**30** July 2024 – GSF personnel killed one gunman in a firefight with gunmen in Gbeji-Afia, Ukum LGA, Benue state.

**30** July 2024 – There was a violent clash between members of the "Aye" and the "Vikings" cult gangs in the vicinity of Kabayi, Mararaba, Karu LGA, Nasarawa state. An unspecified number of people were reportedly injured.

**30** July 2024 – Armed men abducted one male from his residence in Anguldi (Kwata area), Jos South LGA, Plateau state. A 15-million-naira ransom was demanded for his release.

**30 July 2024** – Armed robbers attacked the Special Adviser on Digital Media and Strategy to the Niger State Governor at Kure Market, Chanchaga LGA, Niger state. His valuables were stolen.

**29 July 2024** – Keana town 1, Leans local government in Nasarawa state was thrown into confusion early hour of Monday following the killing of a 50-year-old Mr. Aje by suspected Tiv youths. A resident of Keana revealed that the victim was attacked by suspected Tiv militia who tied him to a tree and shot him several leaving him dead.

**29** July 2024 – Youths held a protest along the Abuja-Kaduna Expressway in Suleja LGA, Niger state over the current economic condition. The protesters carried placards with different inscriptions.

## NORTH EAST (NE) - Summary

Analysis – There was an overall increase in the number of fatalities as 36 persons were killed while kidnapped victims decreased slightly with no reported victims as compared to the previous month.

The region experienced 14 major incidents this week, which is the same as in the previous week. Patterns of incidents include terrorist attacks, counter-terrorism operations, protests kidnapping, and criminal incidents. The Northeast was not exempted from the nationwide protests tagged #EndBadGovernance, where most peaceful protests escalated to vandalism and looting. On 2nd August, in Potiskum town, Yobe State, security operatives shot dead three protesters who were attempting to vandalize food storage facilities belonging to international non-governmental organizations. Despite a 24-hour curfew, protesting youths in Potiskum set ablaze a vehicle belonging to the Red Cross and looted items from their office. Protests also occurred in Gombe, Borno, and Bauchi states, with citizens demonstrating against bad governance. In Borno State, Boko Haram terrorists infiltrated the protests along Baga Road in Maiduguri, killing four people and injuring 34 others. These events highlight the widespread unrest and the challenging security situation across the Northeast.

In addition to the protests, the region experienced significant attacks by Boko Haram insurgents and other armed groups. On 1st August, suspected Boko Haram insurgents invaded four communities in Tarmuwa LGA, Yobe State, displacing 475 households and causing casualties. Borno State witnessed a suicide attack on 31st July in Kawuri village, resulting in the deaths of 19 civilians and injuries to dozens more. Further incidents include an attack on a civilian convoy by an RPIED on the Maiduguri-Damboa-Biu Road, which led to one death and several injuries, and the establishment of an illegal vehicle checkpoint by AOG insurgents in Ajiri, where a food truck was set on fire and commuters were coerced into transporting goods for the insurgents.

Additional violent incidents underscore the region's instability. On 30th July, hoodlums known as Kalare boys killed three persons in Gombe State, and an attack on a police station in Jakana, Borno State, by AOG insurgents on 28th July led to the deaths of a policeman and a female civilian.

An IED explosion in Ngala LGA, Borno State, on 27th July killed two children, while a military base in Ngala town was attacked, resulting in a firefight and the destruction of vehicles. These incidents reflect the multifaceted security challenges and the urgent need for comprehensive measures to address both civil unrest and insurgent activities.

## NORTH EAST (NE) – Incident List

**02** August 2024 – Three protesters were shot dead by security operatives while attempting to vandalize food storage facilities belonging to some international non-governmental organizations in Potiskum town, Yobe State.

**02** August 2024 – Despite a 24-hour curfew order, reports indicated that protesting youths in Potiskum town of Yobe State have set ablaze a vehicle belonging to the Red Cross Divisional Office. The protesters were said to have looted items in the divisional office.

**01** August 2024 – Gunmen suspected to be Boko Haram insurgents have invaded four communities in Tarmuwa local government of Yobe State. The invasion has led to the displacement of 475 households, as well as the killing of two persons, with five others sustaining varying degrees of injuries.

**01** August 2024 – Citizens protested over bad governance at the Government Residential Area Pantami route in Gombe Local Government Area (LGA), Gombe State.

**01** August 2024 – Citizens protested over bad governance along the Bulumkutu road in the Maiduguri Local Government Area, Borno state. Security forces are unconfirmed along the route.

**01** August 2024 – The Borno State Police Command has alleged that Boko Haram terrorists infiltrated protesters along Baga Road in Maiduguri on Thursday amid the ongoing nationwide protest.

**01** August 2024 – The #Endbadgovernance protest in Bauchi State was disrupted by operatives of the Nigerian Police Force. The protesters, who had assembled in front of the Emir of Bauchi's palace, demanded a meeting with the emir but were stopped by a police barricade.

**31 July 2024** – No fewer than 19 civilians were reported dead with dozens injured in a suicide attack that occurred in Kawuri village of Konduga local government area of Borno State.

**30** July 2024 – No fewer than three persons were reportedly killed on Tuesday by hoodlums popularly known as Kalare boys in the Bolari area of Gombe State.

**30** July 2024 – A civilian convoy with GSF escorts drove over an RPIED along the Maiduguri-Damboa-Biu Road, Damboa LGA, Borno State. One person was killed, and an unspecified number of people were injured.

**29 July 2024** – AOG insurgents mounted an Illegal Vehicle Checkpoint (IVCP) in the vicinity of Ajiri, along the Mafa-Dikwa Road, Mafa LGA, Borno state. A food truck was set on fire and commuters were forced to transport consumables for the insurgents.

**28 July 2024** – AOG insurgents attacked a police station in Jakana along the Maiduguri-Damaturu Road in Konduga LGA. A policeman and a female were killed, weapons and a motorcycle were stolen. Two patrol vehicles belonging to the police and CJTF members were set on fire.

**27** July 2024 – An IED exploded and killed two children in the vicinity of an ISS Camp, Ngala LGA, Borno state.

**27** July 2024 – AOG insurgents attacked a military base at Op2 and Ngada near the entrance to Ngala town in Ngala LGA, Borno state. The attack resulted in a firefight with GSF personnel, and vehicles were set on fire.

#### NORTH WEST (NW) - Summary

Analysis – The number of fatalities increased slightly, with 7 persons killed, while kidnapped individuals increased significantly with 41 victims during the week.

This week's nationwide #EndBadGovernance protests saw significant activities across multiple states, highlighting a broad spectrum of civil unrest. On 2nd August, protests were reported in Gusau, Zamfara State, where citizens gathered around Kasuwar Kanawa Market. Despite the 24-hour curfew in Kano State, protesters regrouped in Tudun Wada, defying the imposed restrictions. In Zaria, Kaduna State, major roads were barricaded by protesters, restricting vehicular movement. On 1st August, demonstrations in Daura, Katsina State, involved a bonfire near former President Muhammadu Buhari's residence. Additionally, in Kano, protesters wearing "peace" caps aimed to maintain order by chasing away looters. The protest in Gusau saw hundreds of young people storming the Government House, demanding food and an end to poverty.

In Kaduna State, the protests took a violent turn. The police reported that hoodlums had vandalized the offices of the State Traffic and Law Environmental Authority (KASTLEA) and the Investment Promotions Agency (KADIPA). In Sokoto, hundreds of youths barricaded major streets and the Government House, chanting against hunger and calling for the reintroduction of fuel subsidies and a favorable exchange rate. The peaceful protest in Kaduna escalated, resulting in the deaths of three youths and injuries to many others. Protesters outnumbered security

operatives, marching towards the Governor's residence. In Jigawa State, hoodlums hijacked the protests to loot agricultural commodities, vandalizing warehouses of the Jigawa Agricultural Supply Company in Birnin Kudu, Gumel, and Hadejia.

In addition to the protests, there were multiple incidents of banditry across Sokoto, Katsina, and other states. On 30th July, bandits kidnapped 20 individuals, including a district head in Tsamaye community, Sabon Birni Local Government Area, Sokoto State, resulting in two fatalities. In Gudu, Sokoto State, bandits killed five community guards and two farmers. Similar attacks occurred in Yan Nasarawa village, Faskari Local Government Area, Katsina State, with casualties and kidnappings reported. On 29th July, suspected bandits kidnapped several individuals along the Sokoto/Sabon Birni road and in Yankara town, Faskari Local Government Area, Katsina State.

#### NORTH WEST (NW) – Incident List

**02** August 2024 – Citizens have resumed protests around Kasuwar Kanawa Market, Gusau Local Government Area, Zamfara state. The protest is currently peaceful and security forces are unconfirmed in the vicinity.

**02** August 2024 – Protesters have regrouped in Tudun Wada of Nassarawa Local Government Area of Kano State despite the 24-hour curfew imposed by Governor Abba Kabir Yusuf.

**02** August 2024 – As the nationwide #EndBadGovernance protests enter the second day on Friday, protesters in Zaria, Kaduna State, have barricaded major roads and restricted vehicular movement in the ancient city.

**01** August 2024 – Some protesters taking part in the #EndBadGovernanceInNigeria in Daura, Katsina State, on Thursday, made a bonfire near the residence of former President Muhammadu Buhari, Katsina state.

**01** August 2024 – Hundreds of protesters wearing face caps with the word "peace" inscribed on them have stormed the streets of Kano, chasing away protesters who were looting shops and other commercial places.

**01** August 2024 – Citizens are protesting over bad governance at Gwargwaje Area in Zaria Local Government Area (LGA), Kaduna state.

**01** August 2024 – In the early hours of today Thursday, hundreds of protesters in Gusau the capital of Zamfara state, mostly young children of 15 to 20 years stormed Gusau Government House Seeking Government to provide food and end poverty in Nigeria.

**01** August 2024 – The Police Command in Kaduna State, says hoodlums have vandalized the offices of the State Traffic and Law Environmental Authority, KASTLEA, and the Investment Promotions Agency, KADIPA, in the guise of protest.

**01** August 2024 – Hundreds of youth have barricaded major streets and the Government House in the Sokoto metropolis, Sokoto state, chanting different songs in the ongoing nationwide protest against hunger.

**01** August 2024 – The peaceful protest against bad governance turned violent in Kaduna on Thursday, leaving no fewer than 3 youths dead and many other protesters injured.

**01** August 2024 – Citizens are protesting over bad governance across Dutse Local Government Area, Jigawa state.

**01** August 2024 – Dozens of hoodlums on Thursday hijacked the ongoing nationwide #Endbadgovernance protest to loot agricultural commodities at the stores in Birnin Kudu, Gumel, and Hadejia Local Government Areas of Jigawa state. The suspected hoodlums looted the items after vandalizing warehouses of the Jigawa Agricultural Supply Company (JASCO).

**30** July 2024 – Bandits reportedly kidnapped 20 individuals including a district head in Tsamaye community, Sabon Birni Local Government Area, Sokoto state. Reports indicate that 2 fatalities were also recorded during the attack on 30 July.

**30** July 2024 – Gunmen suspected to be bandits stormed Karfen Sarki Village in the Gudu local government area, Sokoto state, and killed five members of the recently established state community guards and two other peasant farmers.

**30 July 2024** – Bandits reportedly attacked Yan Nasarawa village in Faskari Local Government Area, Katsina state resulting in 2 casualties including a fatality. Reports indicate that several locals were also kidnapped during the attack on 30 July.

**30** July 2024 – Bandits reportedly kidnapped 10 individuals in Jambali village, Batsari Local Government Area, Katsina state. Reports indicate the attack which occurred on 30 July also resulted in a fatality.

**29** July 2024 – Suspected bandits have attacked and kidnapped Sarkin Gobir of Gatawa district, Alhaji Isa Muhammad Bawa, his son, and five others along Sokoto/Sabon Birni road, Sokoto state.

**29 July 2024** – Bandits reportedly kidnapped several individuals in Yankara town, Faskari Local Government Area, Katsina state. Reports indicate that the assailants erected a barricade along Yankara Road before the attack that occurred on 29 July.

#### **SOUTH EAST (SE) – Summary**

Analysis – The number of fatalities decreased slightly, with 14 killed victims while kidnap victims stayed the same with no kidnap victims recorded during the reporting week.

Contrary to current occurrences in other regions, the South East reported little or no incidents of civil unrest related to the Endbadgovernance protest. This could be related to underreporting as little or no activities were operational within these states on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of August. However, other incidents such as armed attacks and killings were reported in various states. On 02 August 2024, gunmen on motorcycles launched an assault on a military checkpoint along the Amangwu axis of the Amasiri-Owutu road in Edda Local Government Area, Ebonyi State,

resulting in the deaths of two individuals. This targeted attack highlights ongoing security challenges faced by military and police personnel in the area.

In a related incident, on 30 July 2024, GSF personnel shot and killed a suspected armed robber near Akpoha-Abaomege along the Afikpo-Abakaliki Road in Abakaliki LGA, Ebonyi State. This action reflects the heightened security operations in response to rising criminal activities. Additionally, on 29 July 2024, soldiers in Aba, Abia State, killed a suspected enforcer of the sit-at-home order, indicating ongoing tensions and enforcement measures amidst the broader unrest. Violent incidents continued on 29 July 2024, with rival criminal gangs clashing in the Ukwuorji and St. Faith Cathedral areas of Amawbia in Awka South LGA, Anambra State, resulting in three deaths. On the same day, gunmen targeted multiple locations in Irete Autonomous Community, Owerri West LGA, Imo State, killing at least five people, including four policemen and a Point of Sale (POS) operator.

## SOUTH EAST (SE) – Incident List

**02** August 2024 - Two persons have been reportedly killed during an attack on a military checkpoint along the Amangwu axis of the Amasiri-Owutu road in the Edda Local Government Area of Ebonyi State. According to an eyewitness, the attack was carried out in the early hours of Friday by gunmen who operated on a motorcycle.

**30** July 2024 - GSF personnel shot and killed a suspected armed robber in the vicinity of Akpoha-Abaomege, along the Afikpo-Abakaliki Road, Abakaliki LGA, Ebonyi state.

30 July 2024 - Unidentified armed men shot and killed two people in Amawire, Owerri North LGA, Imo state. No further details.

**29 July 2024** - Soldiers of the 14 Brigade, Ohafia, stationed at Aba, have killed a gunman suspected to be a sit-at-home enforcer at the Osisioma Ngwa area, in Aba, Abia State, along the Enugu – Port Harcourt expressway.

**29 July 2024** - Three people were killed during a rival clash between criminal gang members in Ukwuorji and St. Faith Cathedral in the Amawbia area of Awka in Awka South LGA, Anambra state.

**29 July 2024** - Gunmen attacked Mechanic Village Junction near Save More Marketplace, Blossom Junction, and Dovely Palace Hotel junction in Irete Autonomous Community, along the Owerri-Onitsha Expressway, Owerri West LGA, Imo state. At least five people including four policemen and a Point of Sale (POS) operator were killed.

**29 July 2024** - There was an armed clash between GSF personnel and IPOB/ESN members around the Ariaria market, Tonimas, Umuojima, and Osisioma axes in Aba North LGA, Abia state. One person was killed.

**28 July 2024** - Gunmen blocked the Enugu-Umuahia Road in Lokpanta, Umunneochi LGA, Abia state, and fired shots at a vehicle. The driver and passengers (two aid workers) escaped.

## SOUTH SOUTH (SS) – Summary

Analysis – The number of fatalities decreased slightly with 01 victim captured, while 2 individuals were kidnapped during the reporting week, which is an increase compared to the previous week.

Between 27<sup>th</sup> July and 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2024, recent developments in the region highlight the intensification of protests, which began on 01 August 2024, driven by grievances related to bad governance and economic hardships. On the first day of the protests, significant activities were observed in various locations. In Rivers State, protests were reported in Rumuola along Aba Road and at Pleasure Park in Port Harcourt, with localized traffic disruptions anticipated. In Edo State, demonstrations occurred in the Idunwina area of the Benin-Lagos Express Road, leading to potential traffic disturbances. By 02 August, protests continued with a focus on bad governance and economic hardship. In Ikpoba Hill, Benin City, the protest was reported as peaceful, while in Ughelli, Delta State, a previously peaceful hunger protest turned violent when security forces allegedly shot and injured a protester. In Akwa Ibom State, security forces allegedly used tear gas to disperse protesters at Ibom Plaza.

In addition to the protests, other security incidents have occurred. On 30 July, gunmen kidnapped an individual from a shop in Rivers State, attacked a church in Delta State, and targeted a Nigeria Union of Journalists vehicle in Cross River State. Violence also erupted between rival cult gangs in Delta State. On 29 July, residents in Benin City protested a steep increase in waste disposal tariffs. These incidents reflect ongoing security concerns and highlight the broader challenges facing the region beyond the protests.

## SOUTH SOUTH (SS) – Incident List

**02** August 2024 - Citizens have continued protest over the end of bad governance and economic hardship in Ikpoba Hill, Benin City, Edo state. Presently, the protest is peaceful and security operatives are unconfirmed in the location.

**02** August 2024 - A previously peaceful hunger protest in Ughelli, Ughelli North Local Government Area of Delta State, turned violent on Friday as Policemen stationed at the Otovwodo axis of the East-West road allegedly shot and injured a yet-to-be-identified protester.

**02** August 2024 - Police tear-gassed protesters and a journalist converged at the Ibom Plaza, Uyo Friday as the #EndBadGovernance protest entered Day 2 in Akwa Ibom state.

**01** August 2024 - Citizens are protesting at Rumuola, along Aba Road, Ikwerre LGA, Rivers State over bad governance.

**01** August 2024 - Citizens have reportedly gathered at Pleasure Park in Port Harcourt, Rivers state to protest against bad governance. Localized traffic disruption is anticipated in the area, however, security forces are confirmed at the location.

**01** August 2024 - Citizens have reportedly blocked the Idunwina area of the Benin-Lagos Express Road in protest over bad governance, in Edo state. Localized traffic disruptions are anticipated in the area. Security forces are unconfirmed at the location.

**01** August 2024 - Hoodlums have reportedly disrupted and as well chased peaceful protesters from the venue of the ongoing nationwide protest at Effurun Roundabout in Uvwie Local Government Area of Delta State. The hoodlums chased the peaceful protesters with sticks, broken bottles, and other dangerous weapons as armed security operatives watched without forestalling any breakdown of law and order.

**30** July 2024 - Gunmen reportedly kidnapped an individual from her shop located at Diamond Valley Estate in Umuowarie, Oyigbo Local Government Area, Rivers State. Reports indicate the incident occurred on 30 July. The area remains susceptible to further attacks.

**30** July 2024 - Gunmen attacked a church in the vicinity of Delta Broadcasting Service street in Asaba, Oshimili South LGA, Delta state. A former lawmaker was abducted, her aide was killed, and one person was injured.

**30** July 2024 - Armed men attacked a Nigeria Union of Journalists (NUJ) vehicle conveying palliatives from the State Emergency Management Agency warehouse to the NUJ Secretariat along Barracks Road, Calabar Municipal LGA, Cross River state. Three people including the bus driver were injured, the vehicle was vandalized, and the palliatives were looted.

**30** July 2024 - There was a violent clash between members of the "Vikings" and the "Buccaneers" cult gangs in Ozoro, Isoko North LGA, Delta state. No further details.

**29 July 2024** - Aggrieved residents of parts of Benin City, Edo State have protested the astronomical increase in tariff by the state waste disposal operators, alleging of over 500 percent hike without notice.

**29 July 2024** - Darkness has hit Bayelsa State as two towers belonging to the Transmission Company of Nigeria, TCN, along the Ahoada-Yenagoa 132 Kilovolt line were brought down by vandals in the Igbooghene community.

**29 July 2024** - Women held a protest at the Samson Siasia Stadium in Yenagoa, Yenagoa LGA, Bayelsa state in opposition to the planned "#EndBadGovernance" protest.

#### **SOUTH WEST (SW) - Summary**

Analysis – The number of fatalities stayed the same as the previous week with 1 fatality captured while no individuals were kidnapped during the reporting week. This is a significant decrease, compared to the previous week.

Protests across various regions from late July to early August 2024 focused predominantly on issues of bad governance and economic hardship. On 2 August, a demonstration in Otta, Ogun State, addressed these concerns, with significant crowd gatherings and traffic disruptions reported. Similar protests occurred in Lagos State, including Ojota and Ikeja, and in Osogbo, Osun State, on 1 August. Economic activities in Ibadan were notably disrupted by protests against hunger and scarcity, reflecting the nationwide impact. These protests, including those in Lagos and Osogbo, were generally more peaceful compared to the violent clashes observed in other areas.

In addition to the protests, several incidents of violence and criminal activity were reported. On 31 July, a violent cult clash in Osun State resulted in casualties. On 29 July, a man in Ekiti State committed murder-suicide following a domestic dispute. MTN subscribers in Ibadan and Osun protested against mobile number blockages related to NIN registration, leading to heightened tension. There were also disturbances involving the Federal College of Education in Lagos and a clash between youths and police in Ogun State over a festival ban.

#### SOUTH WEST (SW) – Incident List

**02** August 2024 - Citizens protested at Otta, Ado–Odo/Ota Local Government Area, Ogun State over Bad governance and economic hardship. Large crowd gathering and traffic disruptions have been reported in the vicinity.

**02** August 2024 - Protesters have continued the demonstrations at Ojota, Lagos State. Heightened security presence to prevent the breakdown of law and order has been noted in the area.

01 August 2024 - Citizens protested over bad governance along Freedom Park Osogbo, in Osogbo Local Government Area, Osun State.

**01** August 2024 - Economic activities in most parts of Ibadan, the Oyo State capital were paralyzed as a result of the nationwide protests against hunger and scarcity of essential commodities across the country.

**01** August 2024 - Citizens reportedly protested over bad governance in Ikeja, Ojota, and Alausa areas, Lagos state.

**31 July 2024** - Aribemchukwu, the daughter of Justice Rita Ofili-Ajumogobia, has been killed in her residence at Highbrow Parkview Estate, Ikoyi, Lagos.

**30** July 2024 - There was a violent clash between members of the "Aye" and the "Buccaneers" cult gangs in the vicinity of the Osun State University, Okuku Campus, Odo/Otin LGA, Osun State.

**29 July 2024** - A man lured her ex-wife and killed her in the Igede-Ekiti area of Irepodun/Ifelodun LGA, Ekiti state over marriage separation. The attacker also killed himself to evade prosecution.

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**29 July 2024** - Youths held a protest, marching to Marina from Ahmadu Bello Way, Victoria Island, Eti Osa LGA, Lagos State in opposition to the planned "#EndBadGovernance" protest.

**27** July 2024 - There was a violent clash between youths and policemen in Ikenne town, Ikenne LGA, Ogun state following a protest held by the youths over the ban on this year's Oro festival. At least 20 youths who took part in the protest were later arrested.

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