

3) The Team visited Anofia and confirmed the details given by the Sector Commander. Some of the 40 houses which had been burnt were seen.

4) The Team visited Amaseri and learnt of an incident which took place on December 25, 1969 in which 70 people of one compound of Ndukwe village were killed and all their homes destroyed - allegedly by federal troops.

5) The Team visited the Afikpo hospital and spoke to several wounded patients in the surgical ward who claimed to have been wounded by federal troops. Some of these patients alleged they were wounded in Amaseri and some in other villages in the Afikpo area. None of those from Amaseri were wounded on December 25, 1969.

B) On January 28, 1970, the Team again visited Afikpo and Amaseri. Amaseri is made up of five villages - Mdukwe, Ezeke, Ohachara, Inie and Poperi. Each village is made up of a series of compounds. The Team walked several miles to the compound of Ndukwe where the incident took place on December 25, 1969. The Team spoke to Ndukwe village elders who claimed that the following took place:

1) Before anyone was up on the morning of December 25, 1969, federal soldiers surrounded the compound.

2) The federal soldiers started firing and setting fire to the huts of the compound. As they passed through the compound, they killed some of the people. Those who were still alive were rounded up and placed in the one cinder block house in the compound. When they were all shut in the house, the federal troops planted charges and blew up the house. Those who lived through this were shot.

3) The dead included all the men, women and children of the compound. The elders stated that the total number of dead was 106. The relatives of the dead came and took the bodies away for burial.