

7 killed in fresh Plateau attack

From Dickson S. Adama, Jos

Seven people have been killed in a fresh attack by gunmen in Kuru community of Jos South Local Government Area of Plateau State.

It was gathered that the attack happened at a mining site on Tuesday within the Kuru District, which led to the loss of lives.

The Berom Youth Moulders-Association (BYM), under the leadership of its National President, Dalyop Solomon Mwantiri, unequivocally

condemned the killing.

"This dastardly act constitutes a gross violation of the sanctity of human life and represents a direct assault on the peace, security, and collective dignity of the Berom people.

"The victims were peace-loving youths engaged in legitimate means of livelihood, whose lives were cruelly and unjustly terminated.

"The deceased are Dung Gyang, 19; Weng Dung, 26, and Francis Paul, aged 23 years.

"Others are Samuel Peter, 22; Dung Simon, 28; Pam Dung,

23; and Francis Markus, 15.

"The association further recalls with grave concern the ambush and attack that occurred on Tuesday, 20th January, 2026, at Gyel District, which resulted in the death of two other persons.

"The persistence and pattern of these coordinated attacks point to an alarming deterioration of security within Berom land and underscore the urgent need for firm and sustained intervention.

"BYM calls on the Plateau State Government, the Federal Government, and security

agencies to immediately and thoroughly investigate these attacks, identify, apprehend, and prosecute the perpetrators and their sponsors, and urgently reinforce security presence around vulnerable rural communities, mining locations, and access routes.

"The continued slaughter of innocent youths must not be allowed to persist," Mwantiri said.

Calls and messages sent to the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) for Plateau State, Alfred Alabo, for his response were not responded

to.

From Major Samson Zhakom of the Operation Enduring Peace, just now:

However, when reached, spokesperson of the Joint Task Force in Plateau, named Operation Enduring Peace, Major Samson Zhakom, said, "I am currently at the Armed Forces Command and Staff College Jaji for Senior Staff Course".

There have been attacks and counterattacks between Fulani herdsmen and the Plateau natives in several communities over the years.



Police arrest suspected bandits in Sokoto