

Many feared killed as gunmen attack Plateau community

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Gunmen on Sunday night stormed Agwan Rukuba community in Jos North Local Government Area of Plateau State, killing an unspecified number of residents.

Eyewitnesses told our correspondent that the attackers, who arrived on motorcycles, invaded the community around 7:30 pm while residents were going about their normal activities, firing indiscriminately and causing widespread panic.

As of press time, the exact number of casualties

could not be confirmed, as residents were still trying to identify the victims.

Many of those injured were rushed to the Jos University Teaching Hospital for treatment.

Eyewitnesses added that the gunmen fled the area immediately after carrying out the attack.

Our correspondent further gathered that angry youths in the community blocked the road and reportedly killed some tricycle (Keke Napep) riders and their passengers in the aftermath of the incident.

Troops of Operation Enduring Peace were swiftly deployed to the area to restore law and

order and prevent further escalation of the violence.

The spokesperson of Operation Enduring Peace, Captain Polycarp Oteh, told our correspondent that details of the incident would be provided after preliminary findings on the cause of the attack.

As of the time of filing this report, no official update had been issued.

Daily Trust reports that the incident has heightened tension across the Jos metropolis.

The spokesperson of the Plateau State Police Command, DSP Alabo Alfred, did not respond to enquiries by our correspondent.

Meanwhile, the Plateau

State government has imposed a 48-hour curfew in Jos North Local Government Area, effective from midnight of March 29 to April 1, 2026, following a deadly attack in Gari Ya Waye, Angwan Rukuba.

Commissioner for Information and Communication, Joyce Ramnap, said the measure aims to prevent further violence after several people were killed and others injured. She condemned the attack as "barbaric and unprovoked" and assured that security agencies are taking all necessary steps to apprehend the perpetrators and bring them to justice.