

Gunmen Attack Plateau Community, Kill One

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Gunmen suspected to be terrorists yesterday evening attacked residents of Sabon Layi community in Barkin Ladi local government area of Plateau State, killing one person and causing panic in the area.

They invaded the community at about 6:15 p.m., shooting sporadically and forcing residents to flee their homes for safety.

Eyewitnesses told our correspondent that a woman was killed during the attack,

while one man sustained severe gunshot injuries and was rushed to the Jos University Teaching Hospital, JUTH, for urgent medical attention.

LEADERSHIP-Sunday gathered that the attack created tension across the community, as frightened residents scampered for safety amid fears of further violence.

Publicity secretary of the Berom Youth Moulders Association, Rwang Tengwong,

said several armed men were involved in the attack,

adding that the worsening security situation in Barkin Ladi had become a major concern for residents and farming communities.

According to him, between April and May 9, 2026, no fewer than 30 natives have been killed in separate attacks around Barkin Ladi, while over 70 hectares of farmland have been destroyed by attackers.

He urged security agencies to intensify efforts to protect lives and property in the area, stressing that residents were living in fear and urgently need protection.