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22 killed, many injured in Plateau attack



•Health workers, security personnel among victims

THE death toll from Sunday night's attack on Kawel village in Mushere District of Bokkos Local Government Area of **Plateau State** has risen to 22, with health workers and security personnel said to be among those killed.

Residents said gunmen invaded the community, shooting sporadically and attacking residents.

A Red Cross official involved in emergency response said the attackers also targeted the community's Primary Health Care Centre.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the gunmen stormed the hospital and opened fire on health workers and patients.

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According to the official, those confirmed dead include civilians and security personnel, while several others sustained varying degrees of gunshot and machete injuries.

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He added that survivors had been evacuated for medical attention and stabilisation.

Bokkos Youth Leader, Christopher Luka, who had earlier confirmed 19 deaths, said the figure had increased following ongoing assessments.

“I visited the hospital and saw the situation myself. So far, 22 deaths have been recorded, including women. The victims are yet to be buried because of the rainfall experienced since morning.”

“The victims included health workers serving at the hospital and some patients who were receiving treatment,” Luka said.

The latest attack comes less than a week after the killing of the District Head of Gwande in Bokkos Local Government Area, Saf Samuel Alaket, in the Sha District axis while returning from a traditional council meeting.