

Former councillor murdered in Benue

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Gunmen, suspected to be hired assassins, have killed a former councillor, Atindiga Tsebee, and robbed several passengers along the Ayilamo–Anyiin road in Logo Local Government (LG) of Benue State.

Locals from the area said the incident occurred around 5:00pm at the weekend.

It was said that the former councilor, who represented Tombo Council Ward, died after he was shot in the chest while returning from a community meeting.

Witnesses said the attackers blocked the road, dispossessed travelers of their belongings, and subjected some to physical assault before fleeing the scene.

Our correspondent gathered that the attack came barely two days after a similar incident on October 30, 2025, during which three persons were killed and six others injured at the same location.

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The community leaders in Gaambe-Tiev and Ayilamo have expressed concern over the rising cases of insecurity in the area, describing it as alarming and unacceptable.

A community leader in the area, Joseph Anawah, called on the Benue State government and security agencies, including Operation Whirl Stroke (OPWS), to intensify patrols and strengthen surveillance in the area to forestall further attacks.

Anawah, in a message told newsmen that: “A violent incident occurred on Saturday, November 1, 2025, at approximately 5pm along Ayilamo-Anyiin road in Logo LGA.

“Suspected armed bandits blocked the road and robbed commuters, subjecting them to mistreatment. During the attack Atindiga Tsebee lost his life after being shot in the chest.”

He warned that the continued attacks on farmers in the agrarian communities of Logo could worsen food insecurity if urgent action is not taken to address the menace.

Benue State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Edet Udeme said she would verify and get back our Correspondent.