

# Three farmers, commuter killed as Benue records fresh herdsmen attacks



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**Three farmers have been gruesomely murdered in fresh armed herdsmen attack on Gilim Ashi village, a settlement along the Naka-Agagbe road in Gwer West Local Government Area, LGA, of Benue state.**

**The latest attack is reported to have triggered heightened tension and fear in the community and nearby Naka, the Headquarters of the LGA.**

**A source in the area confirmed that the victims were loryer Kwaghkaha, Ayila Atsar, and a yet-to-be-identified individual who were reportedly shot and brutally attacked Thursday afternoon while working on their farms in the village.**

**“The village is a settlement along the Naka-Agagbe road, behind Government**

**Comprehensive Secondary School, Naka town,” he said**

**He also confirmed that the bodies of the deceased were evacuated and deposited at the Naka morgue.**

**The latest killings come barely 24 hours after armed attackers ambushed and killed a traveler along the dreaded Naka-Makurdi road near Kula village.**

**“Although troops of the Nigerian Army repelled that earlier attack, the assailants returned on Thursday, this time targeting farmers in the area.**

**“The renewed attack has heightened fear across the communities already battling persistent insecurity,” he said.**

**Efforts to reach the Police Public Relations Officer, Deputy Superintendent, DSP, Udeme Edet were unsuccessful.**