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A Tiv woman, Ngune Angbaav Kyange, has been killed by herdsmen in what a reprisal attack on a [Tiv community in Chanchangi village of Takum Local Gov of Taraba State](#), while another woman, [Mary Tsavmbu and a motorcyclist](#), we have sustained serious injuries from the attack.

Daily Trust learnt that the two women were [ambushed while returning from a wom conference of the NKST Church](#).

A witness said though the other woman and the motorcyclist are receiving treatment at a hospital in Takum, their chances of survival are slim.

"As I am talking to you now, their chances of surviving are slim because they were serious said.

Speaking on the matter, the council's chairman, Tanko Tamti said the incident was as a result between the Tiv and Fulani communities, and that the council is working round the clock situation.

"We are determined to compel the warring communities to sheath their swords and embrace peace," he added.

The killing is coming just over a week after Governor Danbaba Suntai released five Tiv leaders and some of their subjects in Chanchangi ward, who were remanded in prison for two weeks for allegedly shielding suspected murderers of a herdsman and abducting another

Suntai on that occasion, charged Tiv and Fulani leaders in the ward to live in peace, and would not hesitate to arrest any individual or group that ferments trouble in the area. He said cattle routes be reactivated as a means of restoring peace in the area.

Reacting to the recent killing, Suntai, through his Senior Special Assistant on Media Istifanus Giwa, said the government will do its best to ensure that peace is restored in the area. Police Public Relations Officer, Ibiang Mbasekei, also confirmed the incident, saying, "the police have been briefed on the gruesome killing of a woman in the state".

He said the police will leave no stone unturned in ensuring that the perpetrators are brought to justice.

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