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Jalingo and Yola — At least 13 Fulani herdsmen are reported to have been killed in Karim Lamido local government area of Taraba State, in what is thought to be reprisal attacks by suspected Bachama farmers who allegedly raided some villages in the early hours of yesterday.

National secretary general of Miyetti Allah, Alhaji Sale Bayari, told Daily Trust yesterday that suspected Bachama farmers from Numan area of Adamawa State attacked Fulanis in the neighbouring villages of Kana, Bujum, Yiti, and Mayo-Lope of Lau local government area of Taraba State.



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Ploughing the fields.

The Bachama Socio-cultural group, Pene-Da-Bwative, had recently issued ultimatum to Fulani nomads living in their land to quit or face the consequences after their kinsmen had been killed in attacks on their villages. They blamed the attacks on Fulanis.

Bayari said: "At Mayo-Lope, they killed Babangida Hassan and Buba Musa and dumped the corpses in shallow wells." He claimed that some of those killed "were complying with the eviction order given by the Bachama only for them to be attacked and killed while crossing River Benue."

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Efforts to get the Adamawa police public relation officer, ASP Nemuel Yoila, proved abortive as all his lines were off as at the time of filing this report.

When Daily Trust later got the state commissioner of police Mark Adamu Idako, he said he was in Abuja and was not aware of the incident.

Local sources in Taraba State told Daily Trust that the Fulanis were given one week ultimatum to leave the evergreen alluvial

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