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Nigeria: 17 Persons, 24 Cows Killed in Plateau Villages

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Jos — Over 17 persons and 24 cows had been killed in Riyom and Barkin Ladi Local Government Areas of Plateau State within the week, the Special Task Force has said.

A statement released by STF Media and Information Officer Captain Salisu Mustapha said "on Sunday at about 1.30 pm unknown gunmen ambushed and attacked some cows killing six and injured three in Riyom."

The statement further stated that the next day at about 11:30 pm gunmen attacked Dakum village in Riyom Local Government Area and killed eight persons while one person was injured.

It said "19 cows were killed and six others sustained gunshot wounds at Tanjol, Rim and Gilgrare settlements of Riyom and the assailants killed seven persons and burnt houses at Tanjol...the commander of the STF led a security team yesterday comprising AIG Zone 4 and the state Commissioner of Police to assess the security situation. The STF would leave no stone unturned in fishing out the perpetrators of this dastardly act."

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