



TENSION IN BARKIN LADI OVER KILLING OF 4 PERSONS



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There was tension in Barkin Ladi Local Government Area of Plateau State yesterday, following attacks and reprisals between Berom and Hausa communities in the area.

Daily Trust gathered that one person was killed while two persons sustained injury Tuesday night when a group of youths alleged to be from a Berom community stormed the house of a renowned politician, Alhaji Auwal Tanko.

Alhaji Auwal is said to have been nominated as a supervisory councillor by Governor Simon Lalong.

Some Hausa youths, irked by the attack allegedly laid ambush on some Berom youths, killing three persons. The corpses of the youths were said to have been discovered in a nearby well.

Tanko Salisu Nasir, a member of Tanko's family, who survived the attack said, "we had just finished eating our meal when we heard gun shots. The gunmen killed my ten-year-old brother, Hassan Salisu."

The victim said he found himself in Mainasara hospital, where four bullets were removed from his body.

"I know the attackers; one is David Dokotrick. I have forgotten the name of the other one, but I know him," he said.

A community leader in Barkin Ladi, Alhaji Danjuma Abdullahi, said the matter has been reported to the sector commander in charge of the area, adding that the town was tensed for fear of reprisals.

The Police Public Relation Officer (PPRO), DSP Abu Emmanuel, confirmed the attack on the residence of Alhaji Auwal Tanko, but said he had no knowledge of the three corpses found in a well.



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