

■ Task force officials remove traders' goods from the roadside to ensure free flow of traffic along Abuja/Keffi expressway in Nasarawa State yesterday.

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2 Taraba community leaders found dead in bush

Two community leaders were on Sunday found dead at the outskirts of the Namnai village in Gassol Local Government Area of Taraba State.

The deceased were the village heads of Namnai, Malam Musa Kachalla, and his ward head, Malam Manu Jahun. Chairman of the council, Mr Tukura

Bashir, confirmed the incident to newsmen in Jalingo. Bashir said the leaders were on their way to settle dispute between herdsmen and farmers in the area.

He said relatives of the deceased raised the alarm after waiting for several hours without hearing from them. The chairman explained

that a search party was later organised by the community who discovered the corpses. It was gathered that the people fled from the area for fear of reprisal attacks.

The state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Joseph Kwaji, also confirmed the development.

Kwaji said the police

recovered two corpses, adding that they were murdered by yet to be identified persons.

He said the timely arrival of armed policemen in the community helped to douse tension. The spokesman assured that the force would investigate the incident with a view to bringing the culprits to book. (NAN)

NCAA to commence inspection

Police recover 197 cattle from rustlers