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Cattle rustlers kill Fulani ruler in Niger

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The Sarkin Fulani Yero of Gawu Babangida in Gurara Local Government Area of Niger State met his death in the hands of cattle rustlers Saturday.

Witnesses who disclosed this said yesterday that the rustlers invaded the community at about 1am and headed for the Sarkin Fulani residence where they allegedly inflicted fatal machete cuts on him.

The attack which came after a raid on the cattle rustlers' hideout around the area by a combined operation of police operatives from the State Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS) and vigilante group was believed to be retaliatory.

Some of the rustlers were said to have been arrested during the police raid, while others escaped and regrouped to launch the early morning offensive.

The deceased was said to have been buried at the palace of the District Head of Gawu Babangida town, according to Islamic rites.

The Police Public Relations officer of the Niger State Command, ASP Bala Elkana said he had not been fully briefed on the development at the time of filing this report.

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