

# Again, gunmen kill 6 in Agatu

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Unknown gunmen, suspected to be Fulani cattle herders, yesterday reportedly killed six people in Agatu communities of Benue State.

Locals told Daily Trust in Makurdi that the affected villages of Okokolo, Ologba Utukolugwu and Oweto came under attack on Thursday evening by the gunmen who engaged the communities in a fierce fight.

It was learnt that four bodies were recovered from Okokolo and two others from Ologba while many people, including children, were said to be wounded and hospitalised at neighbouring Ukpokpo town.

A member who represented the area at the state assembly, Sule Audu, said six people were killed, and lamented the absence of security officials in the area to quench the violence.

He appealed to the state government to establish permanent security posts at some flash points in Agatu riverine communities to forestall frequent attacks by suspected herders.

The zonal chairman of Myetti Allah Cattle Breeders Association of Nigeria (MACBAN), Garus Gololo, said he was yet to get any details of fresh crisis in the area.

He appealed for calm, saying that peace was necessary for the farmers and herdsmen to ply their trades successfully.

At the time of this report, there was no comment from the police as efforts to reach the state spokesman were unfruitful.