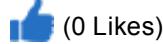


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Two sisters – aged 45 and 50 respectively – were yesterday murdered by unknown persons in Ugbokpo, headquarters of Apa Local Government Area of Benue state.

Daily Trust gathered that the deceased siblings, alongside other members of their family, had slept in the open within the premises of their home due to heat on Wednesday night.

It was learnt that in the early hours of yesterday when the other family members woke up to do their morning chores, they noticed the duowere still sleeping and attempted to wake them up only to discover that they had been murdered in their sleep and covered with a sack.

“Nobody seems to know who killed them and why. They were murdered and covered in the same place where they had slept. The dead bodies were discovered this morning,” a witness said.

Meanwhile, spokesman of the Benue State Police Command, ASP Moses Yamu, said the killing of the sisters was purely a crime situation and not an attack by suspected herdsmen. He said investigation into the matter had commenced, and that one suspect had been nabbed by the police in connection with the killing of the two sisters.