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Lalong confirms 2 dead

Plateau State Governor Simon Bako Lalong yesterday confirmed that two persons had lost their lives in the skirmishes that ensued in the city of Jos following reactions to the attack and killing of northerners in the Southeast.

Governor Lalong also said Thursday evening's reaction by youths in Jos took him by surprise, adding, "There are advantages and disadvantages to the use of social media. When something is happening elsewhere someone will create a message and put it online for others to see and this usually create bad feelings."

He reiterated that Plateau state remains a home for all irrespective of religion and ethnic extraction and called on community and religious leaders to caution their wards at home.

The governor who summoned an emergency meeting with community and religious leaders from Jos and Bukuru at the Government House Little Rayfield added, "As leaders, be very sincere in taking control of your people. Nobody is above the law and nobody has the right to chase anybody out of Plateau and anyone who attempts to create problems will be arrested and face the law."

Earlier, the Plateau state chapter of Jama'atu Nasril Islam issued a statement appealing for calm and urged citizens to shun acts capable of disrupting the hard earned peace in the state.