3 herders killed in Plateau's Barkin Ladi

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Miyetti Allah Cattle Breeders Association of Nigeria (MACBAN) yesterday said three of its men were ambushed and killed between Tuesday and Wednesday by locals in Barkin Ladi local government area of Plateau State.

MACBAN Chairman for North Central, Danladi Chiroma told Daily Trust that two of the victims were killed during two separate attacks on Tuesday while traveling around Fan and near Kassa in Barkin Ladi.

Also, MACBAN Secretary in Barkin Ladi, Abubakar Gambo said another youth had been beheaded by suspected Berom militia around Jon village in Barkin Ladi on Wednesday night.

While narrating the highway attacks, Chiroma said the first attack had occurred on Sunday in Kassa, Barkin Ladi when assailants opened fire on a Fulani traveller who is now receiving treatment at the Bingham University Teaching Hospital.

He said two attacks occurred on Tuesday afternoon and evening adding that, "the first attack took place around 1:30pm at Fan when locals opened fire on four Fulani travellers in an open truck with five cattle. One person is still missing and presumed dead, five cows and the vehicle were also stolen by the attackers."

The MACBAN scribe said on the same day, around 7pm, assailants also opened fire on travellers around Nding junction near Kassa. "The victims were on their way to Quan'an Pan after leaving the Kara cattle market in Bukuru,

one person was killed and two others injured," he said.

Operation Safe Haven Media and Information officer, Major Adam Umar confirmed Tuesday's two attacks and said the assailants had escaped with an open truck with five cows.

Major Umar however said the taskforce was working with other security agencies and local intelligence sources to get the assailants.