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Suspected herdsmen kill 15 persons in Kaduna village

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Suspected herdsmen are alleged to have killed 15 people and went away with nine cows in Gonan Rogo Village in Kufana District of Kajuru Local Government Area of Kaduna State.

According to a source, the incident took place on Monday around 11:00pm, and that some of the victims were taken for medical attention at the St. Gerald's Catholic Hospital, Kaduna.

Another source

who simply identified himself as a pastor in the area told our reporter that 17 people were killed, including women and children, while several others sustained various degrees of injury.

Pastor said, "The suspected herdsmen attacked one Jonathan Yakubu's house and wiped away the whole family: himself, his wife and three children, before attacking other villagers. 17 villagers were massacred during the attack."

He said while the dead would be buried later, the Executive Chairmen of Kajuru and Kachia LGA and the Garrison Commander of Kalapanzin Barracks visited the community.

The source further said the District Head of Kufana had pleaded with the villagers against reprisal attacks.

Contacted, the State Police Command Public Relations Officer, ASP Mohammed Jalige said the command is aware of the attack and will issue a statement later.