

Gunmen kill 5 farmers in Nasarawa

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Gunmen, suspected to be herders, have killed five farmers in Gidan Sule village, Keana Local Government Area of Nasarawa State.

It was gathered that the gunmen attacked the village on Wednesday night and killed four people, while the fifth person died after being taken to the hospital.

President of Tiv Development Association in the state, Comrade Peter Ahemba, who confirmed the incident to *Daily Trust* in Lafia, the state's capital wondered why the attack was carried out since there was no disagreement between the people and other tribes.

Contacted, the Acting Chairman of

Miyetti Allah Cattle Breeders Association of Nigeria in the state, Bala Dabo, told our correspondent that he had not been informed of any attack in the community.

He promised that he would investigate the incident to get the rationale behind the crisis.

The Police Public Relations Officer in the state, ASP Ramhan Nansel, confirmed the incident.

He explained that upon receipt of the information, a detachment of police personnel, consisting of Police Mobile Force, Counter Terrorism Unit, Vigilante and Hunters with support from the military were drafted to the area.

He assured that the gunmen who killed the villagers would be arrested and prosecuted to serve as a deterrent to others.