

Gunmen kill DPO, 1 other in Benue

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Gunmen on Tuesday afternoon killed a divisional police officer (DPO), SP Mamud Abubakar, and one other in Gwer West Local Government Area of Benue State.

Witnesses said the DPO was killed by the gunmen who laid a seige on the Naka-Makurdi dilapidated road at about 3:30pm.

The Chairman of Gwer West LGA,

Andrew Ayande, confirmed the incident to our correspondent on telephone.

He noted that the deceased who was in charge of Naka Divisional Police Station, drove alone in the vehicle and was going to pick up his men posted along the road on routine duty before the gunmen opened fire on him.

Ayande however said it was not yet clear whether other vehicles plying the route were entangled in the

seige but that efforts were going on to find out more details about the incident.

The council chairman also said one Terhemba Tion, was killed in the early hours of Tuesday by armed invaders who attacked his community in Gwer West LGA.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), SP Catherine Anene, confirmed the killing to our correspondent but promised to give details later.