

Two Killed, One Injured In Fresh Plateau Attack

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At least two persons were reported killed on Wednesday night in an attack by gunmen in Gana Ropp village in Barkin Ladi Local Government Area of Plateau State.

Daily Trust gathered that 19-year-old Jude Nicodemus was instantly killed in the attack, while two others initially suffered severe injuries and were rushed to the General Hospital in Barkin Ladi. One of the injured victims, it was learnt, died while in the hospital. The incident occurred at about 8pm.

A resident of the area described the incident as unfortunate in this Christmas season, and that the attack happened without any form of provocation whatsoever.

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The resident explained that prior to the attack, there was an intelligence report that their community and others would be attacked during the Christmas celebration.

Commenting on the incident, the National Publicity Secretary of the Berom Youth Moulders-Association (BYM), Rwang Tengwong, condemned the incident and called on security agencies to rise to the occasion and combat the resurgence of attacks on communities.

Tengwong added, “The BYM under the leadership of Solomon Dalyop Mwantiri is unreservedly condemning the recent killings in some parts of Plateau State.

“The association is in the same vein calling on all security outfits, particularly the Operation Safe Haven (OPSH) under the able and patriotic command of Maj. Gen. A. E. Abdulsallam, who doubles as the GOC 3rd Armoured Division, to redouble efforts in combating resurgence of acts of terrorism, and flush out the terrorist elements that are said to have been stationed on the hills of Were in Ropp of Barkin Ladi LGA and some parts of Plateau State.

“Meanwhile, the BYM is commending the rapid response of Sector 4 Commander, Col. U. S. Abdulsallam, for his swift action that forestall further casualties in the general area.”

He sympathised with families that lost loved ones in the attack and appealed to members of the public to remain calm but be more vigilant before, during and after the festive season.

He called on the federal, state and local governments as well as other relevant bodies to come to the aid of the families of the deceased and those injured so as to ameliorate their plights.

When contacted for reaction, the Police Public Relations Officer of the Plateau State Police Command, Alabo Alfred, did not respond to his text message and calls to him did not connect.