

Gunmen Killed 10 IDPs In Benue – Camp Commandant

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Our correspondent reports that the Camp Commandant, Felix Aponi Banke, made the disclosure when the Acting Executive Secretary of the Benue State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA), Sir James Iorpuu, led International Humaitarian Organisations on a fact-finding visit to IDP camps in the state.

Banke said that the invaders had killed nine people living in Camp 2 while the latest incident, which brought the number of deaths to 10, occurred at Gbajigmba Camp 1, adding that the victim had yet to be buried.

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The camp commander told the humanitarian team that the camp management would always meet with the district head and other host community leaders to provide a parcel of land for them to bury the dead.

He said the major challenge in the camp is diarrhoea due to the lack of potable water.

The IDPs lamented that they could hardly sleep at night for fear of attacks.

Earlier, the SEMA boss, Iorpuu, explained that the Governor Hyacinth Alia-led administration was working with the Federal Government and the international community to ensure safe and quick return of the IDPs to their ancestral homes.