## Farmer-Herder Clashes: Man Killed As 2 Sons Escape In FCT



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A 52-year-old farmer, identified as Ezekiel Yakubu has been reportedly hacked to death by suspected herders at Tungan Sarki community in Dafa ward of Kwali Area Council of the FCT.

A relation of the deceased, Danjuma Moses, said the incident happened on Tuesday, around 5:12 pm when the children of the deceased rushed home to report the incident.

He said it happened when some herders who were migrating with their cows allegedly destroyed a cassava farm belonging to the deceased.

He said the two sons of the deceased were also in the farm when the incident happened, which he said resulted in an altercation between the deceased and the herders.

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According to him, one of the deceased son hit the herders cows with cutlass in order to chase them out of the farm, saying one of the herders brought out a cutlass and inflicted injuries on the deceased's head.

"It was out of anger after one of the deceased hit the cows with a cutlass in order to chase them out of the farm, in which one of the herders angrily hit the deceased with a cutlass," he said.

He said the deceased who sustained a deep cut on his head died due to excessive bleeding, saying before the deceased children, who rushed home to report the incident and returned and discovered that their father had already given up.

He said some residents including vigilantes mobilised to the farm to evacuate the deceased corpse back home, even as he said the herders had already escaped with their cows they arrived the farm.

The spokeswoman for the FCT Police Command, SP Adeh Josephine is yet to confirm the incident as at the time of filing the report.