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Seven feared killed in fresh Kaduna attack

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Seven persons have been feared killed and several homes razed at Kaguru village of Udawa ward in Birnin Gwari Local Council of Kaduna during a midnight raid by suspected herdsmen.

According to an eyewitness account, the attack on the settlement which borders the Kaduna-Lagos highway, was greeted with sporadic gunshots on Wednesday night resulting in injuries on scores of others currently receiving treatment at a general hospital within the council area. It was learnt that the assailants had escaped before help came from the police.

The eyewitness said: "It all happened on Wednesday night when Fulani herdsmen invaded a village called Kaguru in Udawa ward here in Kaduna State. They instantly killed seven people and burnt down many houses. Many took refuge in nearby places. Scores, including children, were injured and taken to hospital."He continued: "Before the police arrived for a rescue mission, the herdsmen had run into the bush and nobody could find them again.



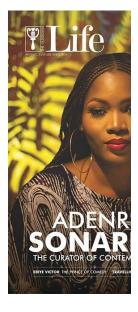
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"The situation right now here in Birnin Gwari is under control and the dead have been buried according to Islamic rites." Contacted, the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) for the state command, Mallam Mukhtar Usman, said policemen had been deployed in the area to restore order.

Also, the media aide to Governor Nasir El-Rufai Samuel Aruwan, in a statement, said the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) had been mobilised to take inventory and provide succour to the distressed.

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A family member, Mr. Justine Wombu, confirmed that his elder brother, Felix, Wombu has not returned since the attack. He said: "My brother and other members of the community decided to go back to our village, Agbala, to carry some items and were attacked by some armed Fulani herdsmen."

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