

Monarch seeks extreme measure against Zangon Kataf killings

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THE paramount ruler of Atyap Chiefdom in Zangon Kataf Local Council of Kaduna State, Dominic Yahaya, has appealed to security agencies to put in place extreme security measures to address unwarranted killings within his domain.

Addressing the press in Kaduna, yesterday, the monarch noted that the killing of Rev. Silas Ali within Zango Urban settlement in Atyap on September 9, 2021 was among several unwarranted killings in the area.

"The following day, September 12, suspected herdsmen invaded Apyiah Ajiim community and killed 12 people, in another round of recurring attacks on Atyap. The victims included six women (two heavily pregnant), three men and three children.

"This occurred after the communities of Gora Gida, Wawa Rafi, Warkan, Manyie-Aywie, Ahtak-Kanai, Magata, Magauri, Matyei, Abuyab, Magamia, Makarau, Mayayit, Manchong, Ma'door and a host of other communities were serially attacked, and no fewer than 50 villagers were massacred, 254 homes and seven churches burnt in an unrestrained violence unleashed on poor, defenceless, innocent farmers of Atyap land," he stated.