

Victorial Island, Lagos on Thursday.

Three killed in Plateau as communities resist gunmen

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THREE people were confirmed dead on Thursday in Riyom local government area of Plateau State in two separate attacks by gunmen suspected to be Fulani herdsmen rampaging through the hills of Riyom hills.

The two attacks were said to have occurred in Rim and Lwa

villages in the area.

At Rim attack, *Daily Independent* gathered that the gunmen were said to have stormed the village at about 7pm on Wednesday night, but were resisted by security agents who killed one of the assailants.

Member representing Riyom constituency in the state House of Assembly, Daniel Dem, who confirmed the incidents on

Thursday, narrated how the three villagers were killed.

According to him, just on Wednesday night around 7.30pm, some group of Fulani gunmen came to attack Rim village. unknown to them, some security agents together with the local vigilante group were stationed at the village. On citing the security agents, the gunmen engaged

them in a shoot out. But the security men were able to chase them away. In the morning, the villagers noticed some traces of blood and trailed it into the bush where they found the body of one of the gunmen lying dead. Not quite long, the gunmen again ambushed a man and his wife on their way to the farm in Lwa village and killed two of them"

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