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## DEATH: 30 Herdsmen killed In Niger

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Soldiers have killed no fewer than 30 cattle rustlers who had besieged some communities in southern parts of Lapai local government area of Niger State in the past few weeks.

Chief press secretary to the state governor, Israel Ebije, disclosed yesterday that the death toll increased to 30 as against 11 last week.

The herdsmen, armed with dangerous weapons were said have besieged Kintako and Azza communities before armed Soldiers were deployed to the area to bring normalcy to the communities that have been living in in fear.

Initially, there was speculation that the armed bandit might be offshoot of Boko Haram but the the Chief Press Secretary said that the soldiers have brought the situation under control.

According to him, "The security agencies have done a very good job and we want to thank them for restoring peace to the area. We appreciate the efforts of our security agencies in this regard."