

Gunmen Kill 6 Farmers In Kaduna Village

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The Numana Community Development Organisation (NCDO), has expressed sadness over the unprovoked attack and killing of innocent, unarmed peasant farmers at Ambe village in Sanga local government area of Kaduna State by gunmen.

During the unfortunate incident a few days ago, six people were killed while many others sustained various degrees of injuries and are in different hospitals receiving medical care.

In a statement sent to journalists in Abuja, president, Numana Community Development Organisation (NCDO), Comrade Ahmed Gani said: "It is worrisome to note that incidences of kid-

nap in our communities have increased in recent times as no week passes without one or two persons being kidnapped.

"To compound the already terrible situation being faced by our people, herdsmen have taken over the ancestral lands of residents of some of our communities, thereby turning the areas to flashpoints of regular kidnap of innocent farmers. Some villages that have been taken over by herdsmen include, Dangwa Ungwan Kafinta, Ninte and Dangwa Ungwa Manzo.

"It is painful to recall that in series of attacks by gunmen in Sanga local government area, where two people were killed at Lambari village on March 2, 2023; one person was killed at Unguwar Madaki Arak on May 5, 2023; one per-

son was killed at Gani Sarki on August 19, 2023 and five people were killed at Unguwar Ganye on February 8 this year.

"These consistent attacks on our calm and peace-loving communities have become worrisome and unbearable, especially, now that the rainy season is here."

He further said farmers are now afraid to go to farms as the attacks intensified in recent times and called on the government to intervene quickly.

"Considering that the majority of our people are farmers, these serial attacks have caused panic in them, hence, they are afraid to go to their farms. This will, no doubt, negatively affect the economy of our people in the months ahead.