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Two die in cattle-rustling attack

A police Inspector and a Corporal have been killed by unknown gunmen in Jos, the Plateau State capital.

The attack took place at about 7:30pm yesterday.

The two officers died instantly after they were allegedly shot at their duty post near the University of Jos.

Their identities could not be obtained as at time of going to the press and no reason was given for the attack, in which the gunmen made away with the officers' rifles.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Plateau State Police Command, Abu Emmanuel, who confirmed the killing, decried the development.

"It is sad that these officers had to pay the supreme price while trying to protect the citizens.

"The police are working round the clock to track down the perpetrators and bring them to book," he said.

Two Fulani cattle breeders were also killed yesterday in a cattle-rustling incidence in Rengyel village, Jos.

About 182 cows were stolen during the attack.

The state Chairman of Miyetti Allah Cattle Breeders Association, Alhaji Haruna Boro, who made this known, said: "About 232 cattle were rustled and two cattle breeders killed by the attackers.

"The body of one of the victims, Mohammed, has been recovered by officers of the Special Task Force (STF), while the second victim, Aminu Inusa, 25 year-old, was still missing and presumed dead.

"Out of the 232 cattle lost by the association, 50 were shot dead while 182 were rustled into Vom, Jos South Local Government Area."

He added that the cattle belonged to Alhaji Ahmed Muazu, Malam Ruwa Isa and Malam Dauda Umar – members of the association.

The chairman said they had witnessed a decrease in cattle theft around Riyom and Barkin Ladi after several meetings with community leaders.

But he lamented that Jos South was proving to be a challenge despite meetings held with leaders.

"We no longer see any relevance to the meetings we have been holding with the Berom leaders and the Chairman of Jos South Local Government Area since they have refused to put a stop to this theft. Therefore, we will no longer take part in any meeting with them because it is a waste of time," he said.

The Information Officer of the STF, Captain Ikedichi Iweha, was not available to confirm the incidence

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