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Seven people have reportedly died in a renewed clash between Fulani herdsmen and residents of Kupa community in Lokoja Local Government Area of Kogi State.

The Maiyaki of Kupa, Alhaji Muhammadu Kabiru Isah, recounted yesterday the ordeal of his community in the hands of the herdsmen.

The community leader said seven people died in the clash.

He said four buildings were razed, adding that several tractors, vehicles and motorcycles were destroyed in Ekpam-Abugi.

Isah alleged that over 200 Fulani herdsmen were involved in the attack.

The community leader called for increased police presence in the area.

Governor Idris Wada described the mayhem as one too many.

Reacting on his behalf, Deputy Governor Yomi Awoniyi said the government would intervene to avert a recurrence.

He called for vigilance among the residents.

The governor said the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) would be directed to provide succour to those displaced, adding that more security presence would be deployed to the troubled area.

He hailed the Maiyaki for handling the crisis with maturity.

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