

Fulani herdsmen 'kill' man in Enugu

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Fulani herdsmen have allegedly killed a man, Chinwuba Ekwueme, in Egede, Udi Local Government Area of Enugu State. The deceased was a member of the Egede neighbourhood watch.

The murder has heightened tension but community leaders have waded in to forestall a reprisal.

Chairman of the Egede neighbourhood watch Mr. Donatus Otie said Ekwueme died from gunshot wounds after herdsmen shot at his group. His colleagues fled.

The ruler of Egede, Igwe Polycarp Oyigbo, lamented the recurrence of such attacks and wondered why the government had not offered measures to stop them.

Igwe Oyigbo, who said the community leadership had been begging youths not to retaliate, hoped that the police would keep to their promise of prosecuting the culprits.

"I do not know if it would have been better to allow them take the law into their hands; so government should take appropriate actions to end the menace," he said.

President-General of the Egede Town Union Ichie Clement Amuji lamented the pain the herdsmen had inflicted on his people.

"The attack by these herdsmen is a menace to our people. We have been complaining to the government; we have written letters to Udi council and the DPO of 9th-Mile police station.

"This has been happening; they have been destroying our crops, raping our women. Three years ago, they killed a man from Umuanum. It is sad because the situation has repeated itself."

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