



Suspected Fulani herdsmen kill two in Delta

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Suspected Fulani herdsmen have killed two persons in Ethiope East Local Government Area of Delta State.

A member of the House of Assembly, representing Ethiope East, Evans Iwhurie, said the traces of the killers were unmistakable.

The lawmaker said an employee of the Delta State University (DELSU) at Abraka, Francis Okotie, as well as an indigene of Oria-Abraka, Philip Obayendo, were killed by suspected Fulani herdsmen in separate attacks on their farms.

Okotie (52) and father of eight, including a DELSU worker in the Library Department, was allegedly shot twice on the arm and on the back of his head on his plantain and palm oil plantation farm,.

Iwhurie said: “It is easy to identify the culprits because they always leave behind trails of cattle excrement and damaged crops by their herds.”

The lawmaker noted that Okotie’s death happened on the heels of a similar killing of Obayendo, who was reportedly shot and cut to pieces by his assailants on his farm at Oria-Abraka.

He said: “The decomposed body of Obayendo was discovered five days after he was last seen going to his farm.

“Though this is a menace that has been occurring across the country, these two cases are among the many that have befallen the people of my constituency, especially in Abraka area.”

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