

Gunmen kill two, burn houses in Benue



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Suspected herdsmen on Sunday killed two persons and burnt many houses in the Gaambetiev community in Logo Local Government Area of Benue State.

The deceased were killed in separate attacks at Mobile barracks near Ayilamo, and Tse Ihyom, Iwendyer, Tombo ward.

The gunmen continued their attacks on Monday, burning Tume, Akwanum-Bosua, Mbaniange and Gaambetiev communities.

As at last night, more farmers had abandoned their houses and fled, giving free access to the marauders to loot and set more houses and yam barns on ablaze.

A victim, Azege Unande, who fled to Ayilamo, said trouble started when the suspected herdsmen grazed at night and destroyed food stuff. When the farmers challenged them, they opened fire and killed some persons. Others fled.

He added: “For two days they have raided communities in Gaambetiev, set houses ablaze, destroyed food stuff and property unchallenged.”