

Gunmen kill clergy, three others in Plateau, Abia states

GUNMEN suspected to be herders on Wednesday night murdered a pastor with the Assemblies of God Church and two others in Riyom and Mangu local government areas of Plateau State

① The Nation gathered that the clergyman (names withheld), who lived at Npat village in Kombun district, was shot dead in his compound at about 10pm on Wednesday by criminals who came to rustle his cattle.

A source close to the family said the invaders forced their way into the compound and the clergyman, who had ear-

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lier seen them, came out of his house and hid within the premises but he was seen by the gunmen and shot dead.

"The militias not only killed him but went away with his cattle. The clergyman was later found in the pool of his blood and died on the way to the hospital in Mangu town," said the source.

② The assailants also killed two youths identified as Elisha Dallyop and Abednego Davou at Jol and Byei villages in Riyom. One Patrick Joshua sustained

fatal injuries and was receiving treatment at the Christian Hospital in Vom, The Nation learnt.

The Councilor representing Jol Ward in Royim, confirmed the incident and casualty figure in the local government. He said the assailants also struck around 10pm.

The Plateau State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Alfred Alabo, could not be reached for comments at the time of this report.

③ Similarly, assailants numbering four in a commercial tricycle beheaded a man after shooting him three times at St Michael's Road by Georges, in Aba, Abia State.