

Five killed, many injured in suspected herders' clash in Benue



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There is tension in [Benue State](#) after suspected herdsmen killed five persons in a night attack on Ayilamo and Mahanga settlements, Tombo ward, in Logo Local Government.

The Nation learnt that the armed herdsmen launched the attack on the farming communities at about 10:20pm.

Besides the five persons that were killed on the spot, many others sustained injuries and were referred to Benue State University Teaching Hospital, Makurdi from Ayilamo Health Centre.

An eyewitness, Tersoo Apera, told The Nation on the phone that the herdsmen launched the attack on Mobile Barracks located on Anyiin- Ayilamo road, in Mahanga settlement and killed two persons in a thatched house .

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They later moved to Ayilamo, headquarters of Tombo ward and shot three persons dead.

The monarch of the area, Chief Enoch Ikyumen, who visited the health centre for first-hand information, appealed to the state and federal governments to order security agencies to protect his subjects.

The Security Adviser to the governor, Chief Joe Har, confirmed the incident.

Those killed in the attack are: Ayev Jôgunô (Mbavihi-Mbazar), Faiga Mwuese Apefan (Mbazar), Msendoo Tertese Vaachia (Mbagum), James Mhen Nyerga Iorliam (Tse-Ihyoon-Iwendyer) and Orgbee Mnguerorga (Tse-Nyajo-Mbaiwem).