

Herdsman kill three, injure others on Benue-Nasarawa road



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The travelers were reportedly attacked on Friday by some gun-wielding herdsman who launched an ambush on the busy Makurdi-Lafia road near Ortese in the Guma Local Government Area of Benue State.

A week ago, armed herders also ambushed and killed three Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs), who went fishing in the Gwer West LGA area of [Benue State](#).

According to a report, the attackers set up an ambush on the busy

No fewer than three persons and several others were injured, when herdsman attacked travelers on Benue-Nasarawa road.

Makurdi-Lafia road on Thursday evening and Friday morning, targeting innocent travellers near the Hirnyam, Pevkyaa, and Ortaver villages. Several people were said to have been wounded in the sporadic attack.

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Reacting to the incident, the Security Secretary of Guma Local Government Area, Mr Christopher Waku, who confirmed the incident said the attackers had laid ambush for two consecutive days near Ortese, along the Daudu/Ortese road on the Makurdi-Lafia Highway. During these attacks, they shot and killed three individuals, all of whom were local residents.

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“It was not a roadblock; the armed herdsmen stood on the Daudu – Ortese road. They killed two persons on Thursday, at about 5 pm, and injured one person who is currently receiving treatment at the Benue State University Teaching Hospital (BSUTH).

“Today, Friday morning, they killed another person, bringing the total fatalities to three. Regrettably, all the victims were local residents,” Waku said.