

Suspected herdsmen kill five in Benue

HOT fewer than five persons have been reportedly killed in separate attacks by suspected herdsmen in Benue state on Tuesday night.

The traditional ruler of Tombo ward Chief (DR) Enoch Nyikyaa Ikyumen, told newsmen that the attackers who divided themselves into groups first stormed Anyiin town, and shot three persons dead.

Anyiin is home to Senator Gabriel Suswam and had several come under herdsmen attacked, but repelled by soldiers

From Uja Emmanuel,
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stationed in the area.

Thereafter the group of gunmen also killed one person in Tsukwa, near the Ashi rice mill factory in Anyiin town.

Ashi Rice Mill is located on Anyiin - Ayilamo Road.

While another gun throttled group killed one person at Tse Ahoyar, in Ukemberagya, all in Gaambetiev, Logo Local Government Area in Benue

All the killings happened on Tuesday night.

Chief Nyikyaa said the attacks

and killing are more common in the Gaambetiev area because the people lived close to the bank of River Benue, where they engaged in farming activities, particularly rice, and soybeans.

The traditional ruler appealed to the Federal and state governments to deploy more security personnel in the area so that his people could go to the farm and harvest their farm produce.

The Mue-Ter-Ichongo suggested that security men should be stationed in Anyibe, Mbaya, and Anyiin towns to check the activities of the killer herdsmen.