

Protest at Ondo Governor's Office over killings



Aiyedatiwa orders deployment of Amotekun Corps in rural communities

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Protesters yesterday shut Governor **Lucky Aiyedatiwa**'s office at Alagbaka, Akure, the Ondo State capital, over the killing of five farmers by armed herdsmen.

Many persons were killed earlier this month by herdsmen in a reprisal attack on four communities in Akure North Local Government Area.

The protesters said the farmers were shot dead yesterday morning at Aba Oyinbo, Akure North Local Government Area of the state.

They displayed bodies of the slain farmers in front of the Governor's office.

Protesters also blocked the Akure-Owo highway at Ogbese.

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Many motorists were stranded on the highway.

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Speaking on behalf of the protesters, Regent of Ademekun Camp, Princess Adelowo Kemisola, said several persons had been killed by herdsmen.

Princess Adelowo, blamed the Divisional Police Officer of Ala Police Division, for failing to take action.

Ondo Deputy Governor, Olajide Adelami, who addressed the protester, said: "I have listened to your plight and how armed Fulani herdsmen have been invading your communities killing farmers.

"We are going to respond appropriately to ensure security of life and property of our people. We will meet 10 representatives of the communities which you are going to select among you right now.

"Amotekun Corps post will be established in the communities today.

"There will be collaboration among security agencies."