

1) Zulum laments Boko Haram resurgence

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Another Plateau community raided

Gunmen again raided another Irigwe community and killed three residents.

The attack occurred late Monday while the Chief of Army Staff (COAS) Lieutenant General Olufemi Oluyede was in the state.

Gen. Oluyede arrived following last weekend's killing of over 50 residents in Bokkos.

In the latest attack, gunmen invaded Hwrra village of Bassa local government.

A statement by Sam Jugo, the national publicity secretary of the Irigwe Development Association (IDA) said: "The attack at Hwrra village on April 7, 2025, occurred at about 8:30pm."

"The three victims are Yakubu Mali, 48, Mangwa Ive, 40, and Israel Riti, 51."

The Plateau Lawyers Bar Forum (PLBF) urged the Federal Government to consider allowing communities to arm themselves for self-defence.

In a statement by its Chairman, Mr. Ledak Dafer, and Secretary, Mr. Niri Darong, the association said: "These attacks, which have persisted since 2001, have resulted in countless deaths, widespread displacement, and the destruction of livelihoods, yet the response of Federal Government in whose custody all the security agencies in Nigeria, remains grossly inadequate."

'Super criminal camps' blamed

Luca Pompe, a resident of Bokos, said "super criminal camps" were the driving force

behind a wave of brutal attacks.

Speaking on national TV, Pompe, a former governorship aspirant on the People's Redemption Party (PRP) platform, said: "These attackers are not ghosts, they reside in known enclaves."

He pointed to the existence of what he termed "super criminal camps" - heavily fortified, well-established hideouts set up through land grabs - which serve as operational bases for the attackers.

These camps, according to Pompe, allow the militants to regroup and escape after carrying out violent assaults, complicating efforts by authorities to curtail the cycle of violence.

Pompe urged security agencies to dismantle these camps, which he believes have become a sanctuary for violent groups.

"The situation is getting worse, and we keep seeing the same pattern," Pompe said.

"These attacks are not random - they are well-planned and coordinated operations."

2) My wife killed in my presence, says victim

Deputy Director of the National Assembly Commission, Adeshinya Michael, said he saw 'hell' in the hands of his abductors.

"I was chained for 32 days," he said, adding that his wife was killed in his presence.

Michael was abducted from his residence on January 26 in Kubwa

He said the fear of death made many abductees dance to the bandits' tune.

"When they kill someone in your presence you will give them anything they want," he said.