prison if they fail to pay the fine, a statement by Mr Vincent Adekoya, for the Head, Press and Public Relations of NAPTIP, said on Sunday in Abuja.

Adekoya said the convicted persons were are rested by operatives of the National Agency for the Prohibition of Trafficking in Persons (NAPTIP), Enugua Zonal Command following a tip-off and were subsequently charged to court on a seven-count charge.

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Herdsmen kill one, injure many, destroy 13 houses in fresh attack in Nasarawa •No one died —Police

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GUNMEN, suspected to be herdsmen, again, launched attacks at different locations in Azara and Kardako areas of Nasarawa State, killing one, injuring many others and destroying 13 houses.

Nigerian Tribune learnt that scores of Tiv farmers sustained injuries during the attack which occurred in the night of Thursday and Friday last week.

This was coming a few days after the peace agreement signed between Tiv leaders and the leaders of Miyetti Allah Cattle Breeders Association in the presence of the state government representatives.

Information had it that the

attackers came with sophisticated weapons to unleash terror on Tiv communities in the Southern senatorial district of the state.

Confirming the incident during an interview with the *Nigerian Tribune* in Lafia, president of Tiv Youth Organisation of Nasarawa State, Mr Benjamin Ngitamen, said the peace meeting between the Fulani herders and Tiv farmers did not yield any result.

According to him, in Kadarko area, herders inflicted a Tiv man with machete cuts in his house last Friday and razed three houses belonging to Tiv farmers, explaining that the victim had been taken to hospital for treatment.

"We are appealing to the state government to deploy military and police personnel as well as other security operatives in the state to enable our people go to their farms. Raining season is here and farming activities have started.

"Some of the Tiv Internally Displaced Persons at the various camps in the affected communities could no longer bear the frustration in the camp as their farmlands have been destroyed by herders in the state." he lamented.

He further disclosed that about 10 houses were also razed in Awe Local Government Area of the state, adding that one Shaorga Daniel was killed by the herders in the area.

He called on the leaders of Meyetti Allah Cattle Breeders Association both in the state and the national level to caution their people and give peace a chance.

In a telephone conversation, the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Idirisu Kennedy, said no person was killed, but admitted that some people sustained injuries during the attack on Tiv communities in the Southern senatorial district of the state.

One dead, 27 injured in Jos auto crash

THE Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), on Sunday, confirmed that one person was killed and 27 others injured in auto crash in Jos, the Plateau State capital.

The FRSC's Public Education Officer in the state, Mr Andrew Bala, who confirmed this to the *News Agency* of Nigeria (NAN) in Jos, attributed the accident to speed.

Bala said that the accident occurred at about 11:00 a.m. when an 18-seater bus belonging to Gombe Mass Transit conveying mostly students, and a 10-seater local commercial bus collided.

"The accident occurred around the Living Faith"

Church, Bukuru, located in Zarmaganda, on Bukuru highway, Jos South.

"The driver of the 18-seater bus died instantly, while 27 others sustained various degrees of injuries.

"Jooking at the impact, I think speeding by both vehicles caused the accident," he said Bala said those injured were currently receiving treatment at the Plateau Specialist Hospital.

He advised motorists to desist from speeding, particularly during rainfall.

Bala also urged the motorists to always obey traffic rules and regulations and ensure they have good tyres.