

Two killed in Plateau community

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AFTER weeks of respite, two persons were shot dead by gunmen in Ancha community in Bassa Local Government Area of Plateau State.

An eyewitness told the *Nigerian Tribune* that the incident occurred on Tuesday at about 8:35 p.m. when the two young men identified as Daniel James (32) and Zakwe Deba (35) were shot dead by gunmen who had laid ambush for them while returning home from a function.

A community leader in the area, Nuhu Bitrus, who confirmed the killing, said they were shot at close range and died on the spot, while the gunmen fled into the bush after the attack.

Bitrus said: "We were happy that there was no attack in our community in the past three weeks, but this evening [Tuesday], two of our people were shot dead. They were gunned down by herdsmen in a village called Ancha of Miango District."

He said the incident had been reported to the Divisional Police Officer (DPO) in charge of the council area, while the remains of the victims had been evacuated to the morgue.

Attempts to reach the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) in the state, ASP Ubah Ogaba, for confirmation of the incident on phone proved abortive.