

# Fulani gunmen kill 2, burn 20 houses in Plateau

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In yet another attack in Plateau State, gunmen suspected to be Fulani herdsmen on Thursday killed two persons and 20 houses in Bassa Local Government Area.

Parts of the local government have come under attack by gunmen in recent times. In the attacks, many farmlands and crops were destroyed.

The state chapter of Miyetti Allah Cattle Breeders Association (MACBAN) had accused the natives of poisoning their cattle, leading to the death of 90 cows.

The national president

Irigwe Development Association (IDA), Prince Robert Ashi, on Friday, disclosed that two people were gunned down on Thursday and 20 houses burnt in a midnight raid by the gunmen suspected to be Fulani herdsmen in Laake village in Kwall District of the council area.

According to him, the gunmen, in their numbers, swooped on Laake village at about 9.00 p.m. and went on a burning spree, leading to the death of two people.

Ashi said: "The people of the village had retired to bed when the gunmen attacked the village at about 9.00 p.m. They killed two

people, burnt down twenty houses and injured five persons. It is unfortunate that this kind of attack can take place when security men are trying to halt the orgy of killings in Irigwe land.

"Those who carried out this attack are still lurking around, many of them are on top of the hills around us but I don't know why it is difficult for the security agencies to dislodge them"

When contacted, the state Police Public Relations Officer, Gabriel Ubah Ogaba simply said: "I will get back to you" but had yet to do so as of the time of this report.