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Gunmen, suspected to be Fulani herdsmen, in a midnight raid on Thursday wiped out a family of seven at Manyi Akuru village, a suburb of Manchok town in Kaura Local Government Area of Kaduna State.

Manchok in Kaura LGA is about 200km South of Kaduna, the state capital, had in recent time witnessed ethnic and communal clashes.

It was learnt that the suspected Fulani herdsmen had stormed Manchok town around midnight and killed the seven members of the family.

The assailants, it was gathered, fled into the bush after the killings.

The development, our correspondent gathered, further angered the youth of Manchok, who then mobilised and attacked a Fulani settlement close to the town.

But a detachment of the Army stationed around the area averted the an imminent bloodbath. Though, no official confirmation from the police in Kaduna, a policeman in the community, who pleaded not to be named because he was not permitted to talk to the press on the matter, confirmed the attack.

He also added that there was a likelihood of an increase in the death toll.

Besides that, the incident forced the state governor, Muktar Yero, to visit Manchok for an on-the-spot assessment of the attack.

It was gathered that while the governor was addressing the youth and elders of the communities, another attack was said to have been launched against a nearby village where several people were said to have lost their lives.

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