

Two killed as gunmen attack Plateau community

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File: Gunmen

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Gunmen have struck again in Kura Falls community, in the Barkin Ladi Local Government Area of Plateau State and killed one person on Tuesday.

The attack in Kura Falls was coming a few days after over 20 persons, who were killed during attacks on the Bokkos and Mangu local government areas of the state, were given a mass burial.

A villager, Mr Moses Gyang, told our correspondent in Jos on Tuesday that the latest victim, identified as Wurin Patrick, was killed by the gunmen who attacked his house on Tuesday.

Gyang said, “Our area in Kura Falls was again attacked by gunmen in the early hours of today (Tuesday).

“One Wurin Patrick died during the attack.

“Two other villagers were shot by the gunmen in neighbouring Dorowa community on Monday, which led to the death of one of the victims while the other person is still in the hospital.”

Spokesman for the state police command, ASP Ubah Ogaba, when contacted, said he was not aware of the latest incident but promised to investigate what happened.

Meanwhile, the Plateau State Governor, Simon Lalong, on Tuesday said he would bring to book those responsible for the recent attacks that claimed the lives of over 30 residents in the Bokkos and Mangu local government areas.

Speaking in Jos on Tuesday during a peace and security meeting at the Rayfield Government House, the governor said his administration would not allow the state to return to crises.

Lalong said, “It is difficult to comprehend this carnage because the two events appear to be deliberately orchestrated to test the resolve of our administration in bringing back peace to the state and also undermining the security and safety of our people who are simply going about earning their livelihood.

“That is why I told the security agencies that the killers must be fished out at all costs because government will no longer take excuses of “unknown gunmen” who kill and maim at will.”

The governor said the peace meeting would explore ways to review the prevailing security challenges in the state, with specific reference to a community policing model that could respond to public safety and security.