

Gunmen sack Taraba community ahead LG poll

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Bely 24 hours to the Taraba State Local Government election slated for June 30, gunmen suspected to be Jukun militias attacked Afogba village in the Donga Local Government Area of the state.

Residents said one person was feared killed while three others were injured in the attack which occurred in the early hours of Monday.

A resident, Mr Livinus Akaa, told our correspondent on the telephone that the gunmen invaded the community at dawn and opened fire.

“They came from the Tunari area and invaded our community. Fortunately, we got wind of their coming and many people fled.

“The person killed ran into them because it was still dark. Three others sustained injuries and were taken to hospital,” Akaa said.

But the Taraba State Command Police Public Relations Officer, ASP David Misal, said he had yet to get the report when our correspondent called.

Meanwhile, Governor Darius Ishaku in a press statement has approved Monday 29, Tuesday June 30 and Wednesday, July 1, 2020, as public holiday to enable workers to participate in the poll.

In a press statement by Hassan Mijinyawa , the governor’s Chief Press Secretary, Ishaku said the public holiday was to enable civil servants to travel to their respective wards and vote in the local government poll.

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