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Four suspected herdsmen arrested for allegedly killing Bauchi farmers

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Armstrong Bakam, Bauchi

Four suspected herdsmen have been arrested by the police in Bauchi for allegedly killing two irrigation farmers on their farms.

PUNCH Metro learnt that the suspects attacked the farmers at Tabak village in the Zaki Local Government Area of Bauchi State on December 21, 2020, and also injured many others.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Ahmed Wakil, a Deputy Superintendent of Police, confirmed the arrest of the four suspects while addressing journalists on Thursday.

He said, “The offence was committed on December 21 when the suspects invaded the farms killing two farmers in the process. Our personnel responded promptly and arrested some suspects, who are from neighbouring Jigawa State.

“One Ruwa Umaru, 25 years old, and others from Jigawa State, were arrested in connection with the crime.

“They have been charged to court, while efforts are being intensified to get more of the suspects who are still at large.”

Meanwhile, the member representing Katagum Constituency in the Bauchi State House of Assembly, Suleiman Muktar, under Matters of Urgent Public Importance during plenary, drew the attention of the House to the attack by the herders.

He explained that the people of his constituency relied heavily on farming for a living and frequent attacks were creating fear and making the farms insecure.

The Speaker, Abubakar Suleiman, said action must be taken immediately to address the security challenge. ,,

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