

Herders kill three people in Benue gov's hometown

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Benue State Governor, Samuel Ortom

Suspected herders, on Sunday, allegedly killed three people in Ngban community in the Guma Local Government Area, the hometown of the Governor of Benue State, Samuel Ortom.

In the last three weeks, no fewer than 13 people were killed at Tse Numgbera, Umella, Yogbo and Ukohol communities all in Guma LGA.

The latest attack, according to residents, happened around 4pm on Sunday, when suspected herders invaded the Ngbea area under Nyiev council ward of the Guma LGA.

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A resident, who identified himself simply as Iorhemen, said, “They were Fulani herders; they came in their numbers and attacked our village around 4pm on Sunday. Three people were killed.”

Contacted, the state Police Public Relations Officer, Catherine Anene, confirmed the attack.

She said, “Three persons were killed in an attack at Guma. The corpses have been taken to the Benue State University Teaching Hospital, Makurdi, while investigation is ongoing.”