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Upkarisia confirmed the incident. He said the suspects were arrested at the weekend and elsa sate,"

14 killed in Benue

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A fourteen year- old- girl was at the weekend murdered by a gang at Tse Ukuhiar village in Nanka, Benue State.

Investigation revealed that the victim, Ngusughabagu Anshawa, was inflicted with deep machete cuts in her head by the assailants who fled after the dastardly act.

Daily Sun gathered that her cries of pain attracted residents to the scene at about 10pm. She was rushed to EEC Hospital, Agave-Nanka, where she died.

The circumstances surrounding her death were unclear at press time, but homicide detectives have apprehended a 20-year-old female suspect, Udoo, in connection with the incident.

Sources said the suspect and the victim lived in the same premises before the incident which reportedly threw the entire village into pandemonium.

In a related development, a middle aged man, Puga Mchianen, was shot dead by a member of a local vigilance group whose identity was not disclosed.

Puga was said to have been murdered at about 9.30 pm on Sunday at Atso village in Ukum Local Government Area of the state.

A police patrol team which visited the scene, following a distress call, took his body and deposited it at the NKST Hospital mortuary, Zaki-Ibiam.

Police spokesman for the state command, ASP Moses Yamu, could not be reached at the time of filing this report.

A senior officer who pleaded anonymity confirmed the incidents. He said homicide detectives were investigating to unmask the perpetrators.

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