

experience lawyers to knock it off in court because there will be water tight evidence, but it is very costly..."

## Nasarawa: Fulani laments loss of 155 cows

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**CHAIRMAN** of Nasarawa chapter of Miyetti Allah Cattle Breeders Association, Alhaji Mohammed Hussaini has explained that fishermen in Akwanga Local Government Area of the state poisoned 155 cows belonging to their members.

Hussaini said the association, under his leadership calmed angry Fulani from reacting to the people of the area, and added that the group cannot tolerate a situation where people invite crisis in a peaceful environment by poisoning cows.

The chairman also disassociated the association from reports that the Hausa/Fulani community are behind the crisis which led to the death of two people in Barkin-Kogi area, Sabon Ginda in Lafia East development of the state.

"I was surprised to see the name of Fulani mentioned in the crisis. No single Fulani man is involved in any crisis from anywhere, especially in the affected areas.

"The Hausa are on their own and have their own association while we, Fulani are on our own and we have our own association which is Miyetti Allah, the Yoruba, Tiv and other tribes have their own associations.

"From today, any association with the name Hausa/Fulani will be taken to court, they should stop maligning us; we have our own organisation.

"We are over 30 million in Nigeria and we are cattle rearers, which is our occupation. No Hausa man rears cattle and our language is Fulfude. Hausa don't speak Fulfude,"

Hussaini insisted.