

# News around the

## 10 killed in fresh attack on Benue community

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**GUNMEN** suspected to be herdsmen militia have, again, reportedly killed 10 people in the Ogbaulu community in Agatu Local Government Area (LGA) of Benue State.

This is coming barely one week after armed herders, on May 4, 2024, attacked three farmers and slaughtered them in their farms in the same Ogbaulu community.

Another attack took place two days ago, where the suspected armed herdsmen reportedly killed a pregnant woman and 10 others after they

launched an attack on Akilo community in Usha council ward in Agatu West of Agatu Local Government Area (LGA) of the state. Residents in the area said the fresh attack took place on Tuesday night, making it the fifth attack in the month of May.

A local, who identified himself as Shehu Abdullahi, told newsmen on phone, in Makurdi, that the invaders, again, stormed Ogbaulu village, at about 9pm, on Tuesday, and started shooting sporadically killing 10 people, including an Igbo trader. Abdullahi said the killers came through the neighbouring community in Apa LGA to launch attacks on Ogbaulu

people.

"After the attack, soldiers came and we went out to search for bodies of victims. As of this afternoon, Wednesday, about nine dead bodies were recovered, including the ones picked last night. It was a critical mo-

ment for us in Agatu, particularly in the Ogbaulu community. We are calling on the government at all levels to come to the aid of Agatu people. We are now living at the mercies of God and that of herdsmen".

Confirming the attacks, the

caretaker Chairman, Agatu LGA, Mr. Yakubu Ochepo, said about four people died even though he was yet to get the final report. Ochepo also confirmed that the invaders came from Apa side to carry out their dastardly acts.

## Court delivers judgment in Nnamdi Kanu's N1bn suit against FG July 1

**THE** Federal High Court, Abuja, yesterday, fixed July 1 for judgment in a N1 billion suit filed by Nnamdi Kanu, leader of the proscribed Indigenous People of Biafra (IPOB), against

the Federal Government and Department of State Services (DSS).

Justice James Omotosho fixed the date after Kanu's counsel, Aloy Ejimakor; the FG's lawyer,

Mercy Akeredolu, and their counterpart with the DSS, A.M. Danlami adopted their processes and made their submissions in the suit.

Kanu, through his lawyer, Ejimakor, had filed the instant suit marked; FHC/ABJ/CS/1633/2023 for the enforcement of his fundamental rights

## 24 worshippers injured in Kano petrol bomb