Benue: Herdsmen kill 3 hunters, 4 farmers in Ortom's village

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uspected Fulani militants on Wednesday attacked and killed

three local hunters and four peasant farmers at Samyol and Uleva in Nzorov and Uleva council wards of Guma Local Government Area of Benue State.

Court remands HIV positive man for raping 14 primary school pupils

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primary school teacher, Alhaji Usman Galadima who sexually assaulted 14 pupils in Borgu Local Government of Niger State has been remanded in custody by a Minna Magistrate's Court.

Galadima was arraigned on multiple charges by men of the State Criminal Investigation and Intelligence Department (SCID), before the Senior Magistrate Court 5. Hajiya Sa'adatu Gambo.

Galadima who is a confirmed HIV positive patient was separately arraigned on 14 different count charges which bothered on unlawful sexual intercourse with a child, grievous hurt, and intimidation.

It should be recalled that Galadima was accused of abusing the 14 pupils whose ages range between 8 and 10 vears sexually. The offences according to the first information report (FIR), which was made available in the Court contravened section 285 of the penal code and section 19(2), of the child rights law of Niger State 2010.

The attack and killings came exactly two days after the herders invaded the local government on Monday killing nine Ortom's kinsmen, abducted and killed a brother to the chairman of the local government and injured scores of others.

This brings to 16, the number of persons killed in the governor's community in the last one week.

New Telegraph learnt that the armed insurgents made incursion into the area at about 5:30 am when some people

were still asleep.

Governor Ortom's Senior Special Assistant on Media and ICT, Mr. James Igbudu, who confirmed the incident via his Facebook wall said the invaders launched the attack "on Ukar in Uvir council ward of Guma and killed four persons."