

# Nasarawa Killings: Herders take over homes, farmlands in deserted community

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**S**uspected herders have reportedly taken over homes and turned farmlands of victims who deserted Gidan Sule, a Tiv settlement area in Kadarko, Keana Local Government Area of Nasarawa State to grazing land less than 48 hours after attacking the community.

It was gathered that after the weekend attack on the community that claims more than 10 lives, the herders have reportedly taken over the deserted villages and farm crops belonging to villagers grazing freely on the farmlands without challenge from security forces.

A survivor of that attack told newsmen at Internally Displaced Persons (IDP)

camp in Giza, that the herdsmen have mobilised hundreds of their cattle and currently grazing on crops due for harvesting, deserted by the Tiv farmers after warning by security operatives to the herders to

halt further attacks.

Another resident in the area, Mr. Iorzu Tyodugh, who escaped narrowly from the Saturday attack, told newsmen in an interview yesterday that his cassava and guinea corn farms both measuring over

five hectares have been grazed completely by cows.

His words, "The herders now graze freely on our farm crops at both day and night. They have mobilised their herds from within and outside Keana Local Government"

"Our hope of going back eventually to harvest our crops which is our only means of survival had been dashed. Even if we return home eventually, we will have nothing to feed our families and take care of other needs."

Reacting to the development, President, Tiv Development Association (TIDA) in Nasarawa State, Comrade Peter Ahemba, who described the situation as unfortunate, regretted that, the herdsmen, having murdered about 10 of his kinsmen have now resorted to destroying farm crops that would have been used by the survivors to feed.

## Delta: Police nab armed robbery suspect, recover guns, cartridges

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**D**etectives attached to Delta State Police Command have arrested two suspected armed robbers in Warri and Oghara areas of the state.

The suspects were arrested in different locations in the state and guns were recovered from them.

It was learnt that one

of them on September 9, when the operatives of the Command Eagle-Net Special Squad while on Aberdeen patrol in Warri, sighted a male passenger in a mini bus, carrying a bag, who upon sighting the Police, alighted from the mini bus and fled with the bag.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), a Deputy Superintendent of Police, DSP, Bright Edafe said the suspect whose name was unknown was suspicious

after him. The suspect on noticing that the Policemen were closing up on him, abandoned the bag and escaped into a nearby river.

Edafe said when the bag was searched one locally made cut-to-size double barrel gun and one locally made short gun were recovered. While, efforts are on to arrest the fleeing suspect.

In another development, Police operatives attached to Oghara

visional Crime Officer (DCO), while on stop and search duty along Ibori Road, Oghara in Ethiope East Local Government Area, intercepted one Famous Olotu (35) and the suspect was subjected to a thorough search during which, one locally made cut-to-size gun loaded with one live cartridge was recovered from him.

The police spokesperson however said the suspect was immediately taken into custody

## Police teargas protesting shop owners in Kaduna

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**T**here was palpable tension in the popular Kasuwan Barci, Tudun Wada area of Kaduna metropolis yesterday as shop owners in their num-

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