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Gunmen kill 46 in fresh attack on Benue community

At least 46 people have been reportedly killed in Umogidi village of Entekpa-Adoka district in the Otukpo Local Government Area of Benue State by armed invaders.

The same village had also suffered invasion by gunmen on Tuesday during which three people were killed.

The Chairman of Otukpo Local Government Area, Bako Eje, whose son was also killed in the latest at-

tack, told newsmen on telephone that the armed men surrounded the village again on Wednesday evening, barely 24 hours after the first attack and opened gunfire on the inhabitants.

Eje said so far, 46 corpses had been recovered while many people were still missing.

The chairman said his son and other relatives were victims of the latest attack which occurred about 5pm on Wednesday, while mourners were burying the three other deceased.



Gunmen

...and 3 persons in Lagos

Taiwo Jimoh

Three persons have reportedly been killed by unknown gunmen at the Gowon Estate,

Ipaja area of Lagos State.

Confirming the incident, the Police Public Relations Officer

(PPRO) in the state, SP Benjamin Hundeyin in a statement yesterday said the incident happened on Wednesday at about 11.35 p.m.

Hundeyin said that the Gowon Estate Police Division received a call from the Naval Block of the estate that some people were shot by unknown gunmen at 41 Road,

Union Bank Block in the estate.

He said two patrol teams immediately moved to the scene, the police officers were told that the victims have been rushed to Igando General Hospital.

"While at the scene of shooting, the police recovered nine expended cartridges and bunch of keys.

"At Igando General Hospital, one unknown male corpse recovered and evacuated to Mainland

General Hospital, Yaba for preservation and autopsy.

"Further information to the police revealed that two male corpses were taken away by their families. One male survival-Doba Ngoze, is currently on admission at the Lagos University Teaching Hospital, Idi-Araba," he said.

The spokesperson however said that investigation was in progress on the case.