

Herdsmen murder catechist, wife, 3 others in fresh Benue attack

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Gunmen, said to be Fulani herdsmen, reportedly stormed the Hirnyam community in Guma Local Government Area of Benue State over the weekend, killing a catechist, Moji Daniel, his wife and another woman.

The terrorists proceeded to Tse-Saka, a neighbouring settlement, murdering some residents.

This brought to five the total number of people brutally killed by the invaders in the area.

Guma is the home of Governor Samuel Ortom.

New Telegraph learnt that the catechist and his wife were going to their farm when the gangsters

murdered them.

A source said: "They were killed by the Fulani herdsmen as they approached their farm on Friday. The herdsmen were hiding inside the forest. They shot the catechist and his wife and one other unidentified woman.

"After shooting them, they proceeded to butcher them with their cutlasses."

The corpses of the victims, the source further said, were recovered and buried by the community.

All efforts made by our correspondent to reach the Guma Local Government Area Chairman, Mike Aba, who doubles as the State Chairman of the Association of Local Government of Nigeria, for comment failed as his phone number could not be reached.