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Farmers/Herders: 3 killed, 8 wounded in renewed clash in Adamawa

The Kodomun Community in Demsa Local Government Area of Adamawa State has again been enveloped in the crisis following a clash between farmers and herders, leading to the killing of no fewer than three people, while eight others were critically injured.

The State Police Command Public Relations Officer (PPRO), SP Suleiman Nguroje, who confirmed the incident, noted that a combined security team has been dispatched to the community to restore normalcy, with no arrests made so far.

It would be recalled that the recent clash is a recurring problem, that has claimed several lives and caused the destruction of livestock and properties worth millions of

naira over time.

Sources claimed that the recent development was triggered by the killing of a youth in Kodomun by suspected herders, which escalated the crisis to neighboring communities of Kudiri, Sabonlayi, Kwayine, and Gorogbakai villages.

Speaking at an enlarged meeting at the palace of the Hama Batta, His Royal Majesty Homun Alhamdu Gladstone Teneke, the Chairman of Demsa Local Government Council, Akham Jalo, appealed for calm and urged stakeholders to find a lasting solution to the lingering problem.

He blamed both farmers and

herders for concealing the truth about the causes of the crisis and warned that anyone found involved would be punished.

Jalo urged farmers to report crop destruction to authorities for compensation and warned herders to refrain from grazing around farm areas to avoid cattle straying into farms.

Earlier, the Hama Batta resolved that the state government's directive for herders to withdraw their cattle during cropping and rainy seasons until after harvest in February every year must be complied with.

Both leaders of the warring

groups were directed to identify culprits and submit their names for prosecution, as both sides knew the troublemakers among them.

The council chairman and the Hama Batta opined that identifying principal suspects and prosecuting them would serve as a deterrent to others who might take the law into their hands.

Expressing concern about

the crisis, Jalo said, Kodomun Community has become a flashpoint and warned that his administration would not compromise the peace initiative of Governor Ahmadu Umaru Fintiri.

He assured collaboration with traditional rulers, security agencies, Ardos, and farmers to resolve the lingering crisis.

Two arrested for theft of police station signpost in Kano

In a surprising turn of events, the Kano State Police Command has arrested two persons for stealing the signpost of a police

area.

The police command has expressed gratitude to the community for their assistance in

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