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## Herdsmen in Reprisal, Kill Mother of Six in Benue

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Suspected Fulani Herdsmen yesterday attack Ipidlo town in Amejo ward of Okpokwu Local Government Area of Benue State, killing a mother of six children and destroying houses and farm produce worth several millions of naira.

According to a reliable source, the herdsmen attacked the Ipidlo settlement around 4a.m. yesterday, shooting sporadically at anyone on site while also setting blaze many houses.

As a result of their attacks, a mother of six children, Mrs. Veronica Ogwuche, was killed while several other people including one Mr. John Alexander sustained injuries.

An eyewitness also disclosed that the incident was shocking to the people of the community

as there was no previous crises or issues with the herdsmen.

"We never had issues with any herdsmen so we were surprised with the assault on our people," complained Patrick Ocheme, a resident.

Some of the villagers linked the attack to the recent clash between the herdsmen and residents of Agadagba in Ohimini Local Government Area which occurred last week.

The crises led to the death of several persons including some herdsmen.

Ipidlo and Agadagba are neighbouring communities, and it was suspected that the herders might have intentionally attacked Ipidlo for vendetta.

All attempt to reach the state Police Public Relation Officer proved abortive as his phone did not connect.

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