

Meanwhile, no fewer than 11 people were feared killed in two separate incidents in Agatu Local Government Area of Benue State, barely one week after herdsmen attacked and killed 27 people in the Odugbeho community in the same Agatu LGA.

The latest killings also occurred in Odugbeho and two other rural villages of Aila and Adagbo.

While two people were reportedly killed in Odugbeho, the remaining nine people were killed in Aila and Adagbo villages on Sunday night.

The Chairman of Agatu LG Council, Hon. Adoyi Sule, said the attack on the Odugbeho community was carried out by suspected armed herders.

Sule said the armed herders invaded the community on Sunday night, killed the two people and burnt 21 houses.

He added that the other nine deaths were recorded as a result of a communal crisis between Aila and Adagbo communities.

However, eight people who were wounded during the clash were now receiving treatment in the hospital.

Benue State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Catherine Anene, a Deputy Superintendent of Police, said she was yet to receive any reports about the incident.