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Herdsmen kill six in fresh Barkin Ladi attack

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Jos— Gunmen, suspected to be Fulani herdsmen, have killed six people at Takowok and Rahol Gasa villages of Barkin Ladi Local Government Area of Plateau State.

It was gathered that two men, including a member of Plateau State-owned security outfit, *Operation Rainbow*, were attacked and killed at a farm at Takowok village on Tuesday.

Four persons were also said to have been killed at Rahol Gasa on the same night.

A member of the community who gave his name as Titus Samuel, said the victims were Habila Fom and Joseph Dung.

Another villager, Badung Davou, said his daughter in-law, Felicia Badung and eight-year-old grandson, Amos Badung, were killed at Rahol Gasa.

He said gunmen attacked the community at about 9:04pm, when some villagers were already in bed.

A community leader, Boyi Deme, said a woman, named Evelyn, and her two years old son, Chuwang, were also killed in the attack.

Trouble had been brewing in the local government since last week when seven members of a family at Sabon Layi community of the council, were killed Sunday night.

The Special Task Force Media and Information Officer, Captain Ikedichi Iweha, denied knowledge of the incident.

He said: “Nothing like that happened. There was trouble in parts of Barkin Ladi and our men are patrolling the area.

“I do not know about such incident, but I will confirm from our men on ground there.”

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