

Police confirm murder of man by suspected herdsmen in Bayelsa

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YENAGOA — THE police in Bayelsa State have confirmed the attack and killing of a 49-year-old man, Bob Wilson, by suspected herdsmen at Akumoni forest, in Okordia clan, Yenagoa Local Government Area of the state.

Vanguard learned that the incident, which occurred on Monday, came barely a week after the murder of a farmer, Alexander Diri, by herders in neighbouring

Vambiri community, Zarama clan also in Yenagoa council.

The state police command in a statement, yesterday, through the police public relations officer, Asinim Butswat, said investigation was ongoing into the incident, adding that police detectives have visited the scene and the corpse had been evacuated to the hospital for autopsy.

He said: "On March 20, 2023, one Chief Bob Wilson, 49 years, was allegedly killed by suspected herdsmen at Okumoni forest, Okordia. Police detectives have visited the scene and evacuated the

corpse to the mortuary for autopsy. Investigation is ongoing."

Sources told our correspondent that the deceased was attacked and killed by some herdsmen at the Lake Sam, a popular fishing located in the forest, described as one of the biggest lakes in the state.

Another victim, simply identified as Gimiro, was said to have escaped with gunshot injuries.

A disturbed environmentalist, Morris Algoa, described the attack as one too many and urged the locals to occupy their environment with a view to identifying strange movements and alert the relevant authorities.