

Commanding officer, soldier, 15 others killed as herders storm Apa LG again

By Peter Duru

MAKURDI—AN officer, one soldier and 15 others have been killed by suspected armed Fulani herdsmen in a renewed attack on communities in Edikwu 2 Council Ward

of Apa Local Government Area of Benue State.

It was gathered that communities under siege of the marauders include Odogbo and Opaha, the home of the lawmaker representing Apa State Constituency in the state House of Assembly, Mr. Abu Umoro, and the state Commissioner of Finance, Mr. David Olofu.

The attack is coming on the heels of week-end's attack on Ankpa community in the same Edikwu Ward 2, where the Ward Chairman of the Labour Party, Mr. Nathaniel Ochoche and three others were murdered in an ambush by the herders.

It was gathered from an indigene of the area, who identified himself as Kole that the herders, who stormed the communities in what looked like a coordinated attack on Tuesday about 6p.m., also inflicted severe injuries on some of the victims.

The source disclosed

that "Among the 17 corpses so far recovered this morning (yesterday) from the attacked communities were the remains of two military personnel and one of them was the Commander of the troops that went to confront the armed Fulani herdsmen, when the attack was going on."

Contacted, the Chairman of Apa Development Association, Mr. Eche Akpoko, who confirmed the attack said that at the time he contacted the community, 10 bodies including those of two military personnel had already been recovered but that he was still waiting for an update from the besieged communities.

The State Commissioner of Finance, Mr. Olofu, who hails from Opaha, also confirmed the attack stressing that the bodies of 15 villagers and two soldiers had been recovered.

The Commissioner said he was on his way to the village for first hand account of the development in the area.

Contacted, the Spokesman of the military joint operation in the state code-named Operation Whirl Stroke, OPWS, Fl. Lt. DO Oquah, said he was out of town and could not speak on the matter.

The Sector Commander of OPWS in charge of Apa LGA, could also not be reached on phone.

Meanwhile, the Police Public Relations Officer, Superintendent, SP, Catherine Anene, who confirmed the renewed attacks said she was yet to receive details of the development.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
OSUN STATE OF NIGERIA (PROBATE DIVISION)

WHEREAS the person's whose names are set out in the second Column of the said schedule date and the place mentioned therein.

AND WHEREAS the person's whose names and address set out in the second Column of the said schedule along (wherever found necessary or expedient) with the particulars of their relationship to the deceased have applied to the High Court of Justice, Osun State of Nigeria for the grant unto them of letters of administration in respect of the and or personal property of the said deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the said Letters of Administration will be granted to the said Applicants unless a notice of prohibit such grant is filed in the Registry of the High Court of Justice, Osogbo, Osun State of Nigeria within twenty-one (21) days from today.

SCHEDULE

DECEASED

1. **FREDERICK AKINDOJUTIMI**
Late of 4, Ogunsola Street, Egbeda, Lagos State, who died on the 15th day of October, 2020 at Ondo State

2. **REMI ADEKUNLE OLADOKUN**
Late of No.4, Aduraiere Street, Powerline Area, Osogbo, who died on 22nd day of November, 2022 at Osogbo

3. **SULAIMAN ADAMU SULAIMAN**
Late of Alabameta, Ota -Efun Area, Osogbo, who died on the 17th of October, 2022 at Osogbo

4. **ADESINA MUSTAPHA LAWAL**
Late of Oreofero Street, Eweta Area, Ikirun, Osun State who died on the 1st day of October, 2022 at Ikirun

APPLICANT FOR GRANT,

1. Miss. Kikelomo Oluwayemisi Akindojutimi and Mrs. Febisola Akindojutimi Both of c/o, Their Solicitor, Kehinde Omotoso Esq., No.91 Fajuyi Road, Ile-Ife, Daughter/Widow of the said Deceased

2. Oladokun Seye Elijah of No.4, Aduraiere Street, Powerline Area, Osogbo, Son of the said Deceased

3. Sulaiman Abubakar Sodiq of Alabameta, Ota -Efun Area, Osogbo, Son of the said Deceased.

4. Mr. Lawal Lekan Sodiq and Mr. Lawal Toheeb Ayodeji Both of Oreofero Street, Eweta Area, Ikirun, Osun State Children of the said Deceased.

DATED 27th DAY of APRIL, 2023

OMISADE F.I.
PROBATE REGISTRAR

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ADDITION OF MIDDLE NAME and CORRECTION OF DATE OF BIRTH

That my name was captured as OKPE MCPHELEN in my WAEC Certificate and in some of my documents and I wish to add my middle name OIWOH, now wish to be known and addressed as OKPE MCPHELEN OIWOH. Also my Date of Birth was wrongly captured as January 3rd, 2001 instead of my correct date of birth as January 3rd, 2000 as it is in my passport. Former documents remain valid general public please take note.

Correction Of Date Of Birth

I, Kobindi Ofili, hereby confirm that my year of birth on my E passport was erroneously entered as 28/3/1986 instead of 28/3/1983 as shown on Age declaration. All documents remain valid. General Public take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME AND DATE OF BIRTH

I, formerly known and addressed as ATAGYE ATSAGYE, Now wish to be known and addressed as ATSOKA TITUS ATSAGYE. Also my incorrect Date of Birth is 08/03/1995 while the correct Date of Birth is 05/03/1995. All former documents remain Valid. The general public should please take note.