

Gunmen kill monarch in Taraba

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JALINGO—Residents of Usmanu village in Karim-Lamido Local Government Area of Taraba State, have been thrown into mourning following the murder of their village head by gunmen.

It was gathered that the incident happened Sunday night.

It was leareened that there were sporadic gunshots which scared away inhabitants of the community.

Chairman of Karim-Lamido council, Bitrus

Danjos, confirmed the incident to newsmen.

He noted that the news of the monarch's death came as a shock to him, especially since the deceased's younger brother was also killed a few months ago.

He said: "I was called from Usmanu Village that the village head, HRH Auwal, was killed by unknown gunmen.

"The people in the village have deserted the community while running for their lives.

"As we speak, security agencies are in the village to ensure calm and normalcy return."