

Suspected herders kill 2 farmers in Edo



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BENIN CITY— TWO residents of Okpekpe community in Etsako East Local Government Area of Edo State, identified as Batemue Ebo and Christopher Bello were killed, yesterday by suspected herders. They were said to have been killed while in their farms.

The deaths were confirmed by both the community's traditional ruler, Onwuweko of Okpekpe, HRH Peter Osigbemeh and the suspended chairman of the council, Benedicta Atoh.

The royal father on the phone said the policemen were already on the ground in the town to maintain peace and described the situation as bad but urged his people to remain calm as the police would fish out the killers.

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Meanwhile, Edo State chapter of the Peoples Democratic Party, PDP, has condemned the attack on the people of Okpekpe community in Etsako East Local Government Area of the state by gunmen, leading to the gruesome murder of two farmers.

In a statement by Chris Nehikhare, Publicity Secretary of the Edo PDP Caretaker Committee, the party expressed disappointment over the killing of Batemue Philip Ebo and Christopher Bello.

It was gathered that Ebo and Bello were attacked and killed on their way to their farms.

The statement read: "We are deeply saddened by the heinous attack on the people of Okpekpe community in Etsako East Local Government Area of the state by suspected herdsmen, which led to the gruesome murder of two innocent citizens

"We condemn this dastardly act in the strongest terms and send our heartfelt condolences to their families, loved ones, and the entire community during this difficult time

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The party urged Governor Monday Okpebholo to take urgent and decisive steps to check the situation before it degenerates out of control.