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OVERVIEW

Between 8 and 9 May, clashes between herders and farmers were reported in the communities of Imande Lortim and Tse Vambe in the Nzorov ward and the community of Tse-Gyer in the Mbabai ward of Guma LGA in Benue State. The clashes affected 492 individuals and displaced 332 individuals from Tse-Gyer to Uikpam IDP Camp. While the affected individuals in Imande Loritim and Tse Vambe remained in the communities. As a result of the clashes, 12 fatalities and 36 injuries were reported.

492 Individuals

Following these events, DTM (Displacement Tracking Matrix) field staff conducted rapid assessments to inform the humanitarian community and Government/partners, and to enable a targeted response. Flash reports utilise direct observation and a broad network of key informants to gather representative data and collect information on the number, profile, and immediate needs of affected populations.

Nigeria's north-central and north-west zones are afflicted with a multi-dimensional crisis. Long-standing tensions between ethnic and religious groups often result in attacks and banditry or hirabah. These attacks involve kidnapping and grand larceny along major highways by criminal groups. During the past years, the crisis accelerated and has resulted in widespread displacement across the north-central and north-western regions.

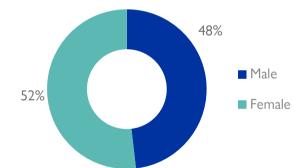
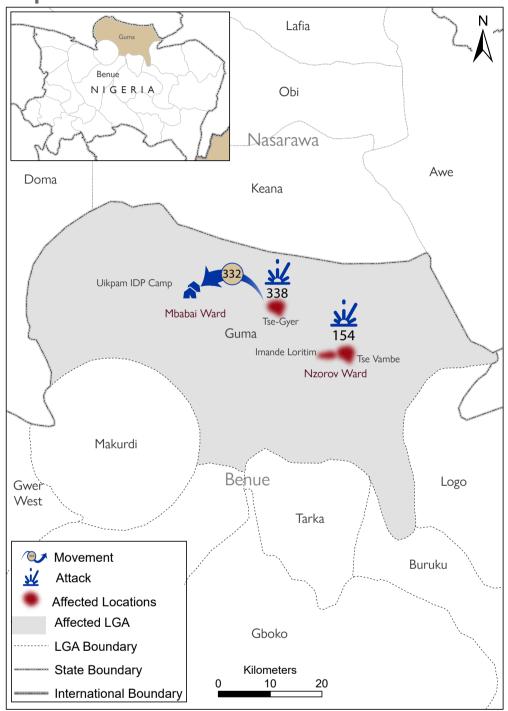


Fig. 1. Gender breakdown of the affected population



Map of the affected areas

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Attacks

Map 1. Locations of incidents in Benue State.

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Fig. 2. Most needed assistance

Table 1. Affected individuals and location

	State	LGA	Ward	Cause of Incident	Number of Affected Households	Number of Affected Individuals	Male	Female	Children	Casualties	Number of Damaged Shelter	
	Benue	Guma	Mbabai	Attacks	39	338	154	184	118	25	49	
	Benue	Guma	Nzorov	Attacks	21	154	83	71	74	23	35	
	Total				60	492	237	255	192	48	84	
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